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OF
NAZI
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HOPES

Attempt To Run The Blockade

LONDON, FEB. 13 (REUTER).—ACCORDING TO THE "EVENING NEWS", A CABLE HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN LONDON TO THE EFFECT THAT SIX GERMAN SHIPS LEFT THE SPANISH PORT OF VIGO UNDER COVER OF DARKNESS ON SATURDAY NIGHT IN AN ATTEMPT TO RUN THE BRITISH BLOCKADE.

Three others left Brazilian ports in addition to the Wakama, making a total of ten.

The newspaper says that the German vessels, which had been sheltering in neutral ports since the beginning of the war, received orders to attempt to return home or to scuttle themselves if necessary.

The ships which left Vigo are the Wangoni, 7,848 tons; Wahehe, 4,709 tons; Orizaba, 4,354 tons; Arucas, 3,369 tons; Rostock, 2,542 tons; and the Morea, 1,927 tons.

The three German ships which left Brazilian ports recently are the Wolfsburg, 6,201 tons; La Coruna, 7,494 tons and the Koenigsberg, 6,466 tons.

WAKAMA SCUTTLED

The Admiralty has announced that the German ship Wakama was located by aircraft from His Majesty's ships in the South Atlantic yesterday.

On being ordered to stop by aircraft the German crew set fire to the ship and scuttled her.

A British warship later picked up ten officers and 36 men.

NEUTRALS AROUSSED

Deliberate German
Sinking Of Ships

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Neutral comment is becoming increasingly bitter about the Nazi campaign against shipping. Bitter comments in Scandinavian and Swedish newspapers emphasize Mr. Chamberlain's statement that not one neutral ship has been sunk by the Allies.

The Netherlands press is also bitter, and Dutch indignation has been increased by the torpedoing of the liner Burgardijk.

Yesterday Holland learned from Berlin that the torpedoing of the ship was "a legal act."

Bound For Holland

Actually, however, Amsterdam messages say that the ship was bound from New York to Holland with a cargo nine-tenths of which was for the Netherlands Government and the remainder for Dutch importers.

There was nothing to show that she was proceeding to any belligerent port.

Norway, which has lost more shipping, thanks to the Nazis, than any other neutral country, has lost another vessel.

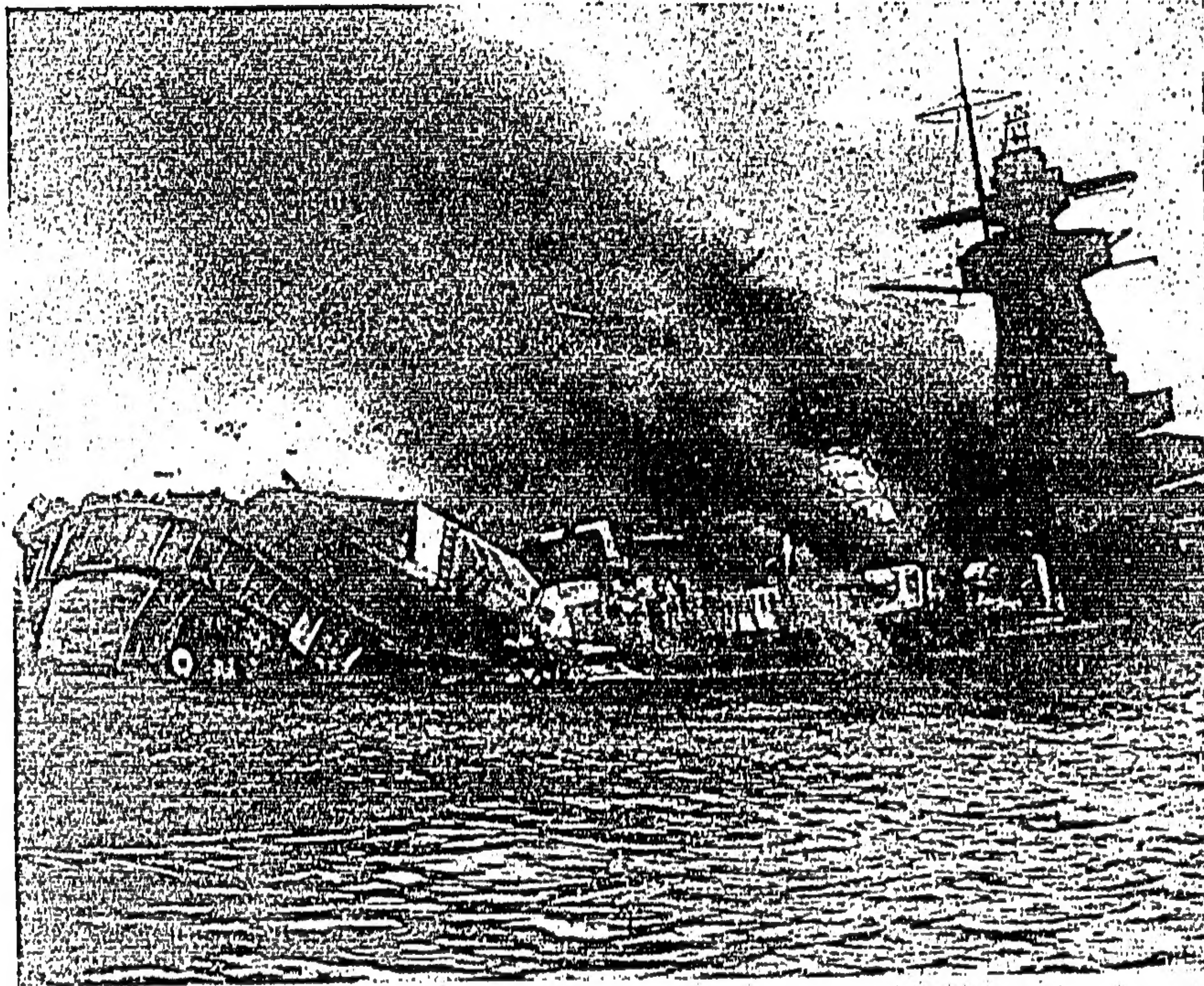
The Snesad was sunk by a mine or torpedo on Sunday while on her way from Norway to New York in ballast. All her crew were saved.

Contraband Claim

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Neutral inquiries were told in Berlin to-day that the Burgardijk was presumably sunk because she had contraband on board.

So far apparently no report has been received from the captain of the submarine which sank the ship, but Nazi circles declare that contraband would be the only reason that could make him torpedo a neutral vessel.

The Parliamentary correspondent PLEASE Turn To Page 5.



THE FIRST original photograph of the final scenes at the scuttling of the German pocket-battleship Admiral Graf Spee. This picture shows the ship just before she settled beneath the waters of the River Plate. From bow to stern she was a mass of flames. Her hull is seen buckled and torn by the force of the exploding ammunition.—(Fox Movietone picture.)

LATVIA IS JITTERY

Russia Not Finished
With Demands?

RIGA, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—"We have no right to cherish the illusion that everything will turn out for the best," declared Karlis Ulmanis, President and Prime Minister of Latvia, when broadcasting a warning that 1940 would be a difficult year.

"Requirements for national defence are increasing every day and when the decisive hour comes, at least one man in each home will have to don a uniform," he continued.

"Everyone must have his equipment ready. I bid each of you to look to this."

"If money is lacking for such a purpose, those who have money must help those who have not."

Situation Very Grave

"If the situation were not very grave I would not touch on such matters."

"We will strengthen the defences of our country but the population must be ready to make great sacrifices in the near future."

"It would also be wise for you to put aside enough supplies of bread and food to last a year."

"Nothing is lost for the moment but it would be wise for everyone to prepare himself," he concluded.

Authoritative quarters here say that no new demand have been received by Latvia from Russia.

Speeding Up
Productions

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Proposals for an intensified effort in the engineering industry to speed up the production of armaments was handed to-night to representatives of the 34 Unions in confederation with the Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions by Mr. Ernest Brown, Minister for Labour.

A conference between Mr. Ernest Brown and representatives of the Union lasted 2½ hours and when the proposals have been considered a further conference will be held.

U.S. LOAN TO CHUNGKING

U.S. Senate Approves
Appropriation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (UP).—By a vote of 49 to 27 the United States Senate has approved the Bill increasing the capital of the Export & Import Bank by \$100,000,000 to enable the United States to make additional loans to China and Finland.

The Bill now goes to the House of Representatives, where an early approval is expected.

WESTERN FRONT

German Raid Repulsed

PARIS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—A communique issued to-day states that east of the Moselle an enemy raid, preceded by trench mortar and artillery preparation, has failed completely.

There was infantry fire on the Rhine and also aviation activity.

Bitter Cold In Battle Zone

PARIS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Despite the new cold wave which has descended on the Western Front, British planes made a long reconnaissance flight over north-west Germany and returned safely although attacked by German fighters. It is stated here.

On the front itself the thermometer has fallen to eight degrees above zero Fahrenheit, and all activities are at a standstill except patrolling and reconnaissance flights.

The French Air Force also made a similar flight and a number of sorties were made by their fighter machines.

One German plane, toured over northern France.

German Communiqué
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Feb. 13 (UP).—The D.N.B. (Official German News) PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

DIGGERS WELCOMED

Frenzied Cheers For
Anzac Contingents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Feb. 13 (UP).—The frenzied cheers which greeted the arrival of the Anzacs in Egypt echoed throughout Britain to-day. The Australian New Zealand gesture is accepted as a new flip to the British Empire's united war endeavour.

Already accustomed to the jovial Canadian troops, Britain as a whole has heartily endorsed Capt. Anthony Eden's message to "the boys from Down Under" that "by your action in crossing the seas you have sent the bravest message a nation's power can give."

"Nations of the great Commonwealth are now closely knit in a common endeavour and, in their unity, by the certainty of final victory and the assurance of better things to come."

While the number of yesterday's arrivals in Egypt is still an official mystery Suez harbour is reported to be dotted with the swaying masts of convoy liners.

It is believed here to be one of the biggest armies ever to have crossed the seas in a single unit.

New Zealand Maoris

New Zealand Maoris—sons of men who fought with distinction in the last war—were among the shouting, singing throngs of men who marched past Mr. Eden, asking "When do we meet old Adolf" and submitting pound notes for the Dominion Secretary's autograph.

All of them look upon the 10,000-mile voyage as an adventure. One said: "It beats me why we are being paid for taking this cruise."

Reports from Suez said that the tumultuous flag-waving reception had not died down to-night, although the investigators are already getting down to the serious business of war at camp "Somewhere in the Middle East."

Major General Freyberg's camouflaged tent has been pitched on a knoll in the centre of the camp.

Each man has been supplied with a specially printed map showing the bars, restaurants and districts within bounds to troops.

Royal Navy Thanked
LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Major General Freyberg, Commander of the New Zealand Expeditionary Force, has been thanked by the Royal Navy for his services during the recent operations in the Pacific.

Reds Hammer At Finland's Defence Line

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Yesterday was the 12th day of the Soviet attack on the Mannerheim Line.

The increased intensity of the attack shows that the Soviets have received reinforcements and are relying on the pressure of tanks, guns and infantry to overwhelm the Finns through exhaustion.

The Soviets claim to have captured 32 defence forts in the Karelian Isthmus. This is denied by the Finns.

In the far north heavy snow has held up operations but Soviet planes have bombed Finnish positions.

To-day's Finnish communique states: "Russian attacks continued during February 12 with undiminished force in the Summa sector."

"At Muolajaervi, Punnus and Taipale, the attacks were driven back and Finnish troops undertook numerous successful counter-attacks. At least 23 tanks were put out of action. The fighting continues."

"North of Lake Ladoga, all Russian attacks were driven back and at Pihlajanta the greater part of an enemy column of 100 vehicles was destroyed."

Aerial Combats

"During February 12, the Finnish air force participated in air combats and in addition carried out reconnaissance flights, besides bombing enemy columns and bases."

"In the war zone, the enemy concentrated air activity on the front line and its immediate vicinity, over the Isthmus, and north of Lake Ladoga."

"Finnish fighters and anti-aircraft artillery shot down four enemy machines, according to confirmed reports, while in addition there are a number of unconfirmed cases."

Stab In The Back?

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Professor Tancred Borenius, noted Finnish professor, says that skilled German officers are now with the Soviet forces.

"We have reason to expect a German Expeditionary Force before long in South Finland. We must expect a stab in the back exactly as in the case of Poland," he said.

Troops Fed
From Air

Posts Isolated In
Recent "Freeze"

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—How troops cut off during Britain's recent great freeze-up were fed from the air is now revealed.

In various parts of the country, the R.A.F. were asked to establish communication with, or drop supplies to, military units cut off by the snow.

A request was made to one R.A.F. station to get food to five searchlight posts, which had become isolated. The need was so urgent that it was decided not to drop supplies in the ordinary way from bombers.

The aircraft found the first searchlight post and one of the crew kicked the supply container overboard when another gave the signal.

Although flying was difficult, all five posts were contacted. It is estimated that no supply container fell over 200 yards from the target. Some fell considerably nearer.

Victory
Confirmed

CHUNGKING, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that Chinese forces have recaptured the important town of Pingyang, north-east of Nanning in South Kwangsi.

The Chinese on February 11 launched a strong attack on the Japanese forces holding the town. After an all-day battle, the Chinese forces occupied the town, inflicting 5,000 casualties on the Japanese.

A communique states that after three days of irresistible Chinese encircling and outflanking movements, the Japanese forces in the Pingyang area are beginning a general withdrawal towards Nanning.

WILL NOT INTERFERE

U.S. State Department
And War In East

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, has expressed the State Department's disapproval of the resolution to invoke the Neutrality Act in the undeclared war between Japan and China, according to Senator Key Pittman.

Pittman told press representatives to-day that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee would probably consider Mr. Cordell Hull's opinion as also reflecting the State Department's views on the undeclared Russo-Finnish war.

Senator Pittman declined to make public the contents of a letter in which Mr. Cordell Hull outlined his views, but said that Mr. Cordell Hull apparently felt that the peace and security of the United States was not directly involved in either conflict.

LATEST

Rescue After 28 Hours

Survivors Of Trawler
Crew Suffer Severely

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—After 28 hours in an open boat, eleven members of the crew of the British trawler Togimo, all suffering from exposure and three seriously wounded, were landed at a port in south-east Eire to-day.

The trawler was sunk by a U-boat which shelled them and killed one of the crew.

Before the Spanish steamer, Montanavajo, rescued them they had to exist upon a ration of one biscuit and a few spoonfuls of water.

Captain James Gale, who won the D.S.O. in the last war, stated that he was on watch on Sunday morning when a shot from a U-boat 500 yards away startled him. The trawler extinguished all lights and attempted to dash to safety, but the next shot hit the charthouse close to where the Captain was standing and set it afire.

20 Shots Fired

Twenty more shots were fired, putting the engines and dynamo out of action and damaging the steering gear. As the trawler began to sink, orders were given to man board.

An Irishman, Price, was coming up the ladder to the deck when a shell burst, killing him and wounding his companion.

Another of the crew, badly wounded, was carried to the lifeboat by his comrades.

Another shot then carried away the wheelhouse.

There was hardly room to move in the lifeboat and to bail constantly. All were exhausted from exposure and hunger when they were picked up by the Montanavajo.

MR. P. HODGSON
PASSES AWAY

The death occurred this morning at the War Memorial Nursing Home of Mr. Paul Mary Hodgson, well-known partner in the firm of T's and Hodgson, solicitors.

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INWARD MAILS

Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 7th Feb.

Feb. 14.
Canton Feb. 14.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 4th January) Feb. 14.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 7th February Feb. 15.
Canton Feb. 15.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 8th Dec. 1939) Feb. 15.
Manila Feb. 15.
Shanghai Feb. 15.
U.S.A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco date, 20th January) Feb. 15.
Australia and Manila Feb. 15.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 9th February Feb. 16.
Hankow Feb. 16.
Japan Feb. 16.
Saigon Feb. 17.
Shanghai Feb. 17.
Shanghai and Amoy Feb. 17.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 26th January) Feb. 17.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 10th February Feb. 18.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon Feb. 18.
Shanghai Feb. 18.

OUTWARD MAILS

Wednesday, Feb. 14
Shanghai (Parcels only) 3.30 p.m.
Ford Bayard and Hotham 1.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Province only) by the "Air France Direct Service"—due Paris, 22nd Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 14, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 14, 5.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 8th March.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 15, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th March—and London and London Parcels—due London, 20th March.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Parcels Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Reg. Feb. 15, 9.45 a.m.
Ord. Feb. 15, 10.30 a.m.
Thursday, Feb. 15
Canton 7.15 a.m.
Shanghai 10.30 a.m.
Sundaland 12.30 p.m.
Tientsin (Parcels only) 12.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard 2.30 p.m.
Haliphong 3 p.m.
Amoy and Shanghai 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 16
Amoy 8.30 a.m.
Toursne 8.30 a.m.
Japan 3.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 20th February.
K.P.O.
Parcels Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Reg. Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Parcels Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Reg. Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 23rd February.
K.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 17, 7.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 25th Feb.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 17, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 17, 5.30 p.m.
Monday, Feb. 19
Canton 7.15 a.m.
Hankow 9.30 a.m.
Haliphong 1 p.m.
Canton 7 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta.
Parcels Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 20, 8.30 a.m.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager
Hongkong, 25th January, 1940.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, 3rd February to Thursday, 15th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1940.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

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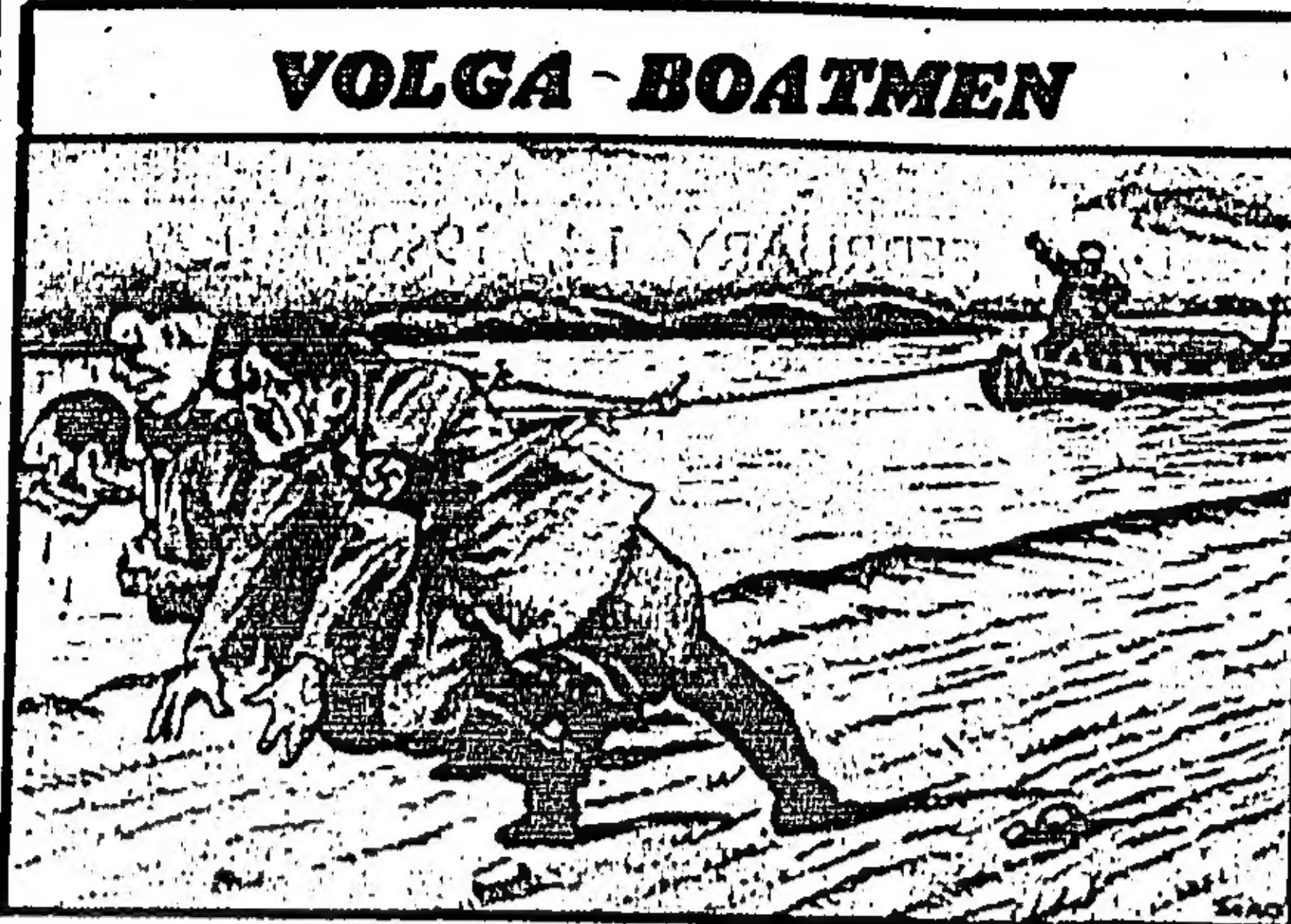
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Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 Musical Comedy Selections.
2.15 Close Down.
6.00 Mozart's "Magic Flute" Act 1.
7.05 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.07 Concert by Vladimir Horowitz and Pablo Casals—Gavotte Tendre, 7.30 London—The News.
8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 Studio—"Some Great Authors"—2 Swift.—The second of a series of Talks by Father Ryan, S.J.
8.30 Dennis Noble—Baritone.—The Trumpeter, Nirvana, with Piano Accompaniment by Gerald Moore.
8.40 Barnabas Von Geesey and His Orchestra.
9.05 Negro Spirituals—Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen, Louis Armstrong with the Lyn Murray Quartet: (a) I Stood on de Rubber (b) Peter, Go Ring dem Bells, Paul Lawrence Brown; Go Down, Moses, Paul Robeson accom. by Lawrence Brown.
9.15 London—News Summary.
9.30 Billy Russell—"On Behalf of the Working Classes."
10.10 The B. B. C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall.
10.10 B. B. C. Recording—"Play the Game"—A Farical Extra-vaganza by L. du Gardie Peach, Music by George Baker. Produced by Charles Brewer.
11.00 Close Down.

HITLER PLANS A GRAND GERMANIC EMPIRE



Stalin: Hey, you! Stop when you get to the Gulf of Finland. —Marlene.

GESTAPO SPIES KEPT WATCH ON BERLIN HOSTAGES

By LOUISE MORGAN

THE only person to greet the first group of British hostages to arrive in England from German territory was Mr. Isador Yoffey, of Manchester, a young soldier on special leave.

As his attractive, fair-haired 25-year-old wife came into view across the guarded line, flung his arms about her and kissed her several times before Customs officials could reach him.

He had not seen her since she went to Warsaw last August to visit her parents. His leave expires shortly. He met his Polish-born wife four years ago, when she was studying dentistry at Manchester University, and married her shortly afterwards. With her came five other British women who had spent the past three weeks in a Berlin prison.

Without A Friend

Only one among them, Miss Helena Marion White, an upright, elegant, dauntless figure with the typical comeliness of her race, was of English family and blood.

Returning home after 15 years' teaching on the Continent, she had two small attaché cases, a mackintosh, a few shillings, and the clothes she stood up in. Miss White has not a single living relative or friend left in this country.

Miss White gave a vivid picture of conditions in Berlin.

She saw very little bacon, and though eggs are only 1d. each, one could buy only one a week and sometimes not that. Milk is skimmed, except for young children and cannot always be had. Sausage is the only meat always available though it comes under the meat ration of a half kilo (just over a pound) a month.

Sugar ration is half a pound a week; jam, 400 grammes (28 ounces) a month; butter, a quarter pound a month; margarine, 60 grammes a week; lard, 60 grammes a week; cheese, one-eighth kilo a week.

Determined To Fight

"The German people are determined to fight," said Miss White. "They are persuaded that it was economic collapse, and not the defeat of their army, which lost them victory in 1918."

"There is much anti-Nazi feeling, but the Government has its people so well in hand that they dare not express their opinions publicly."

"People in Berlin have no hate for the English people. All their hate is concentrated on Chamberlain, whom they blame for all their troubles."

Mrs. Louise Swain, 60-year-old German-born wife of a Birmingham hotel chef, had to choose between her husband and son, a chartered visiting relative in Germany and the son was informed because he is of military age. "It was a terrible wrench to leave him behind," said Mrs. Swain.

Mrs. Helen Mackenzie wife of Dr. Hugo Mackenzie, British director of a Warsaw school, brought her 12-year-old son, Herbert, with her. He had been in an orphanage during the three weeks she spent in prison.

The one thing all the women told me they feared during their stay in Berlin was the "moral torture" of being constantly spied upon by the Gestapo.

Fifteen British women, Miss White said, remain in the Berlin prison.

Among them are Mrs. Royner, of Harrogate, and Miss Graf, an Australian. The others are foreign-born wives of British subjects.

MORE ANTIMONY FROM CANADA

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Since the outbreak of war, the production of antimony in Canada has been speeded up and it is estimated that between 50 and 75 tons are now arriving in the United Kingdom every month.

According to market circles, the antimony is of good quality averaging up to 99.5 per cent. for which the current quotation is £90 c.i.f. in the United Kingdom.

He Forgets That Man Stalin

By MADAME TABOIS

AT the moment when France and Britain, with 30 other States, were voting for the expulsion of the Soviet Union from the League of Nations, and everything pointed to an increase in German-Russian collusion, a few persons in Geneva were informed by a neutral observer of Hitler's latest grandiose scheme for a vast Nazi Empire in Europe.

This plan is contained in a curious and sensational document which I was privileged to see.

A few diplomats who have also seen it are of opinion that it is precisely the German-Russian collusion, manifest in the closing stages of the Geneva session, which will prevent Hitler from carrying it out.

Stalin will never be able to co-operate sincerely, even for twenty-four hours, in setting up a system of which he would be the first victim.

The basis of the plan, which has been drawn up under Hitler's dictation by specialists of the "Geopolitik" office, is a coherent solid bloc of peoples of German race—the Greater Reich. Round this would be a series of satellite States, over which a victorious Germany would exercise political and economic control.

Germany would be the only industrial country. The satellite States would be restricted to supplying raw materials and receiving manufactured articles. They would be allowed to have national industries, to exploit natural resources, or import manufactured goods from any other country but Germany.

All Germany would thus become an immense, powerfully equipped workshop, under the direction of German technicians. These would constitute the new European elite with a privileged position over the governing and intellectual classes of satellite countries.

Three Stages

The achievement of this scheme for turning Europe into a German workshop is planned in three stages. First, Completion of the German "Unity of the German States" by the inclusion, in addition to Austria, of Danish Schleswig, the German part of Poland, and Alsace Lorraine.

Second: Extension of the frontiers of Greater Germany to include territories which are not at present populated by German peoples, but which, according to German "Geopolitical" principles, form integral parts of the German nation.

These territories include the strictly Polish part of Poland as far as the present Russian frontier, Bohemia, Moravia, Slovakia, Hungary, a part of Croatia, including the Adriatic, Holland, the Flemish part of Belgium, Switzerland, Luxembourg and Denmark.

Germanisation of these countries is to be accomplished in one generation by the longest by scattering the populations throughout Germany and abolishing all non-German national characteristics. This "Real Germany" would then extend from Skagerrak to Fiume or Trieste, and from Biele to Kongsberg.

Third: Disarmament and subjugation of countries neighbouring the Germanic Empire. These would be subjected to various restrictions and reduced to the rank of "protectors."

Italy Not Included

The document mentions France, French-speaking Belgium, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Greece, Bulgaria, and the Scandinavian States. It does not mention Italy—perhaps to avoid incidents with that Power.

Turkey is apparently left to Russia, on the strength of a kind of German-Russian "condominium" over the Bosphorus, and of industrial concessions to be determined by special conventions.

The British Empire is to be pulled to pieces "by means of special agreements with the Dominions when they are entirely detached from London." Britain will then be no more than a little island at the mercy of the Power which dominates the Continent.

France, of course, is to be deprived of all her colonies, which would be annexed to Germany's African Empire.

In his efforts to realise this insane dream, however, Hitler forgets that he has been reduced to collaborating with his greatest enemy.

He forgets that by the Peace of Brest-Litovsk in 1917, which seemed to be as advantageous to Germany as the expulsion of the Soviet from the League seems now, Lenin accomplished the demoralisation of the Kaiser's Army in one year.

The few who have seen the Nazi document in Geneva consider that eight to ten months will be sufficient, if Stalin's doctrine of the "United Front" is not undermined by the forces of the Third Reich.

An authoritative conclusion to this effect was communicated to Mr. Butler and to Mr. Paul Boncour, the British and French delegates, before they left Geneva, from which I have just returned.

S.S. Terror In Polish Corridor

BUDAPEST. Throughout the Christmas season the Germans were busy evicting Poles from the former Polish Corridor to make room for Baltic Germans.

The evictions are carried out in a brutal manner. S.S. men call unexpectedly at night and the inhabitants are given only a few minutes to gather together their belongings before leaving for ever homes which have often been in their families for generations.

No exceptions are made for sickness or old age. Young mothers, newly born babies, invalids old men, all are forced to leave. The Poles in this district now wait every night in dread of the order to leave.

Secret Radio Stations

A number of secret radio stations are being worked by Polish students. They keep the Polish people informed of events throughout the world and encourage them to resist their oppressors and give publicity to the names of Polish traitors and of the worst tyrants among the German occupying force.

In Lublin eight students arrested by the Gestapo for having a secret radio shouted out the name of another student who had betrayed them. They were immediately shot by the Gestapo.

Students Steal Plane

No sooner is one secret radio station discovered and destroyed than a new one begins to work.

Two young students of Poznan, members of the former Poznan Flying Club, recently crept into the aerodrome, overpowered the guard and took off in a Messerschmitt machine. They flew safely to a neutral country.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, (UP).—Kenneth de Vault, 28, is in jail. He climbed into a locomotive cab, pulled levers and ended a short trip in a roundhouse pit. "I just wanted to go to Wheeling, West Virginia," he told arresting officers.

A Look Through The "Telegraph".

50 YEARS AGO

Feb. 13, 1890.
Immense crowds have attended the reception at the Palace in Madrid today being the day of rejoicing for the recovery of the little King Alfonso.

Russia has the largest standing army in the world, 735,218 men, with 133,176 horses and 1734 guns; the standing army of Germany consists of 472,381 men, 84,001 horses, and 1,274 guns. Great Britain has the largest navy, with some 500 vessels of all classes; Italy has the most heavily armed vessels and the heaviest guns yet adopted, but it is possible that the biggest vessel and guns yet adopted may prove home-made in war; so far, in peace, they have proved pretty deadly to their owners.

25 YEARS AGO

Feb. 13, 1915.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith announced that the British casualties up to February 3 amounted to 104,000 of all ranks.

Passengers on the s.s. Lusitania, which arrived at Liverpool this morning state that when off the coast of Ireland a German submarine was seen from the Admiralty telling the commander to hoist the American flag. They accordingly sailed under it to Liverpool.

A Foreign Office statement declares that the British Government always recognised the use of a neutral flag by a merchant ship for the purpose of escaping capture as legitimate, and involving no breach of International Law; but that to destroy a ship carrying a non-combatant crew was a crime, as Germany has announced her intention of doing, in nothing less than an act of piracy.

10 YEARS AGO

Feb. 13, 1930.
A promise that there will be a great struggle for the Open Tennis Singles Championship of the Colony was indicated yesterday when three first-round ties were played each producing some extraordinarily keen and fighting contests.

Open Championship Singles
First Round
E. Zimmerman beat A. H. Crook, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4.
Ho Ka-lau beat F. Grose, 6-2, 7-5, 6-3.
T. Honda beat H. Lo, 10-8, 6-2, 6-4.
Y. Hachiuma beat Cheng Chi-wing.
Open Championship Doubles
First Round
W. C. Hung and Cheng Chi-wing beat W. W. Liang and F. H. Kwok, 6-2, 6-2.
T. Honda and Y. Akiyama beat Yew Man-Kit and F. H. Grose.
L. Wai-kei and L. Woon-tai beat H. V. Parker and A. Morse.
Handicap Doubles
First Round
J. D. Humphreys and E. H. Wild beat S. S. L. Parsons and C. P. F. James, 6-2, 6-4.

5 YEARS AGO

Feb. 13, 1935.
Italy is calling troops of "three" mechanised army classes to the colours in view of the threat of war with Abyssinia, following fresh hostilities on the frontier of Italian Somaliland.

Newspapers give the greatest prominence to the speech of General Jan Smuts, delivered yesterday in Capetown, and particularly to the statement of the veteran soldier-statesman's view that the Japanese present a serious risk to the peace of the world.

In Debt For \$2,500,000

NEW YORK (UP).—William Cooper, head porter of an apartment house, learned that, technically, he owes \$2,500,000.

Cooper made the discovery as a government witness at the trial in Federal court of four officers of the defunct New York Title and Mortgage Company which failed in 1933. Cooper testified that in 1930 and 1931 he was employed by the company as a \$30-a-week clerk. He said his duties consisted of signing papers, most of which he did not read, and Assistant Attorney General Bernard Tompkins pointed out that he had signed a bond for \$2,500,000 on an apartment house.

Cooper explained the opinion that he still owed the money—at least on paper—but that he admitted there was little likelihood of it ever being collected.

The defendants are George T. Mortimer former president; H. B. Williams former chairman of the board, and H. F. Breitwieser and Joseph Shields, former vice presidents.

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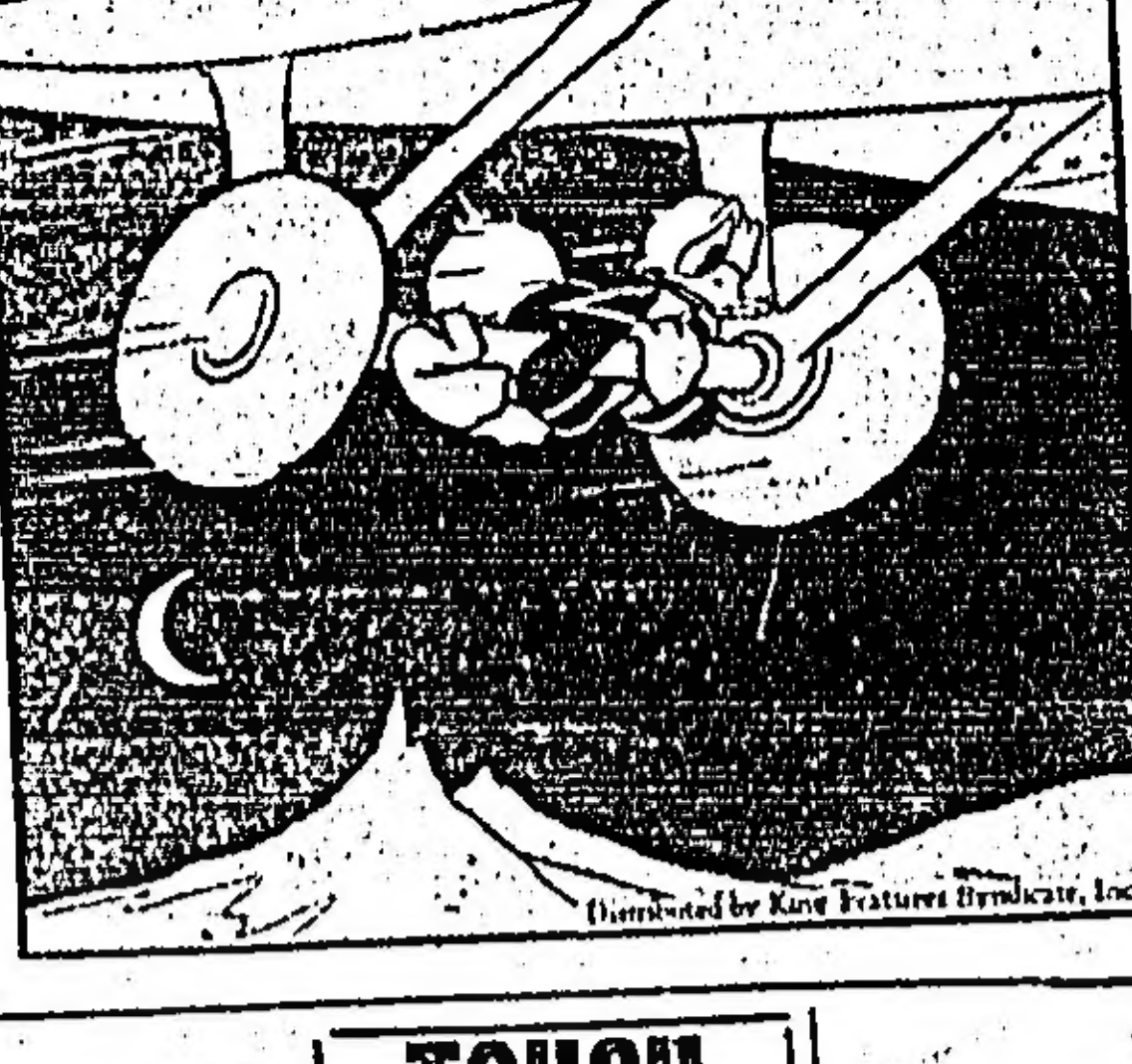
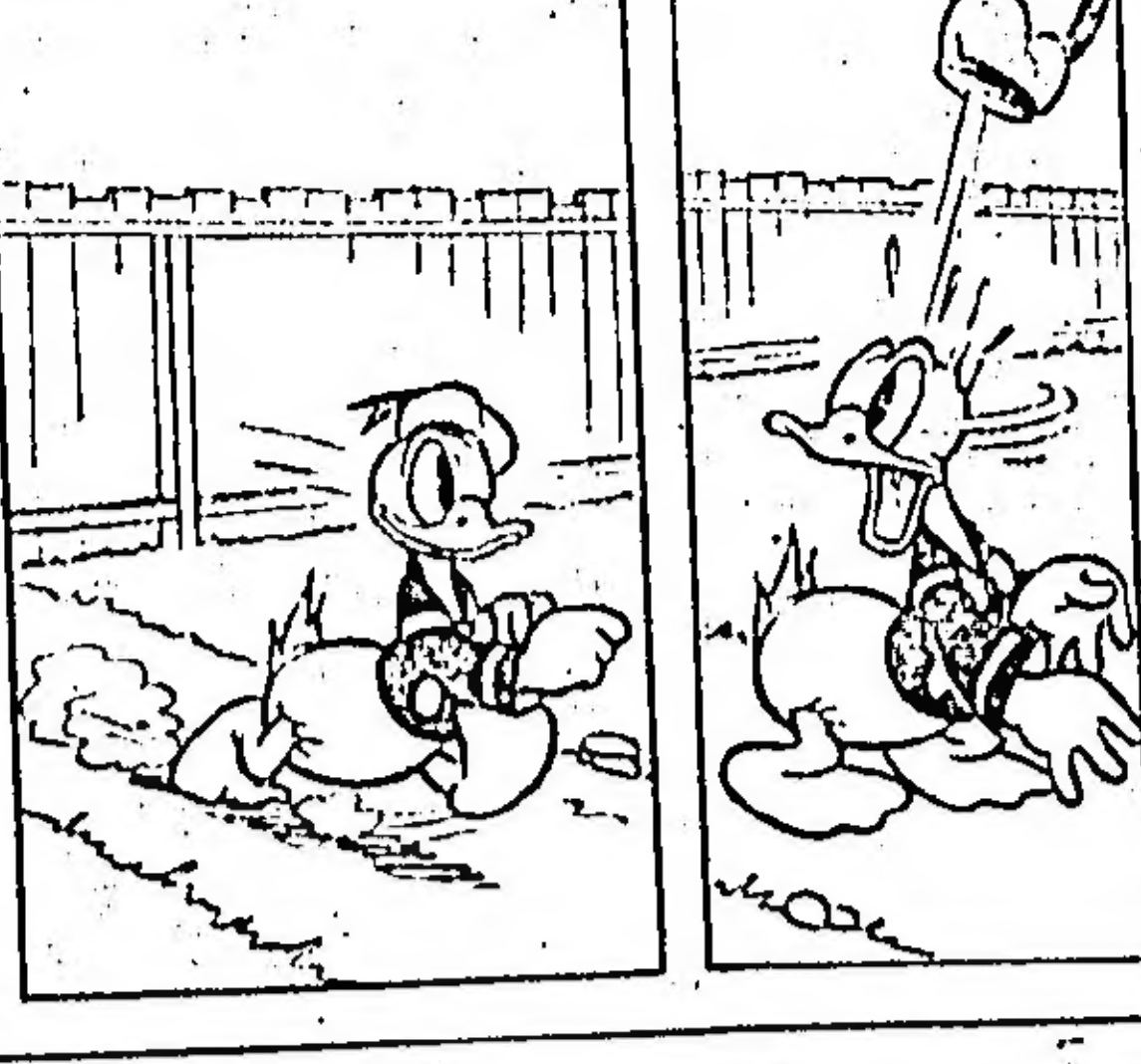
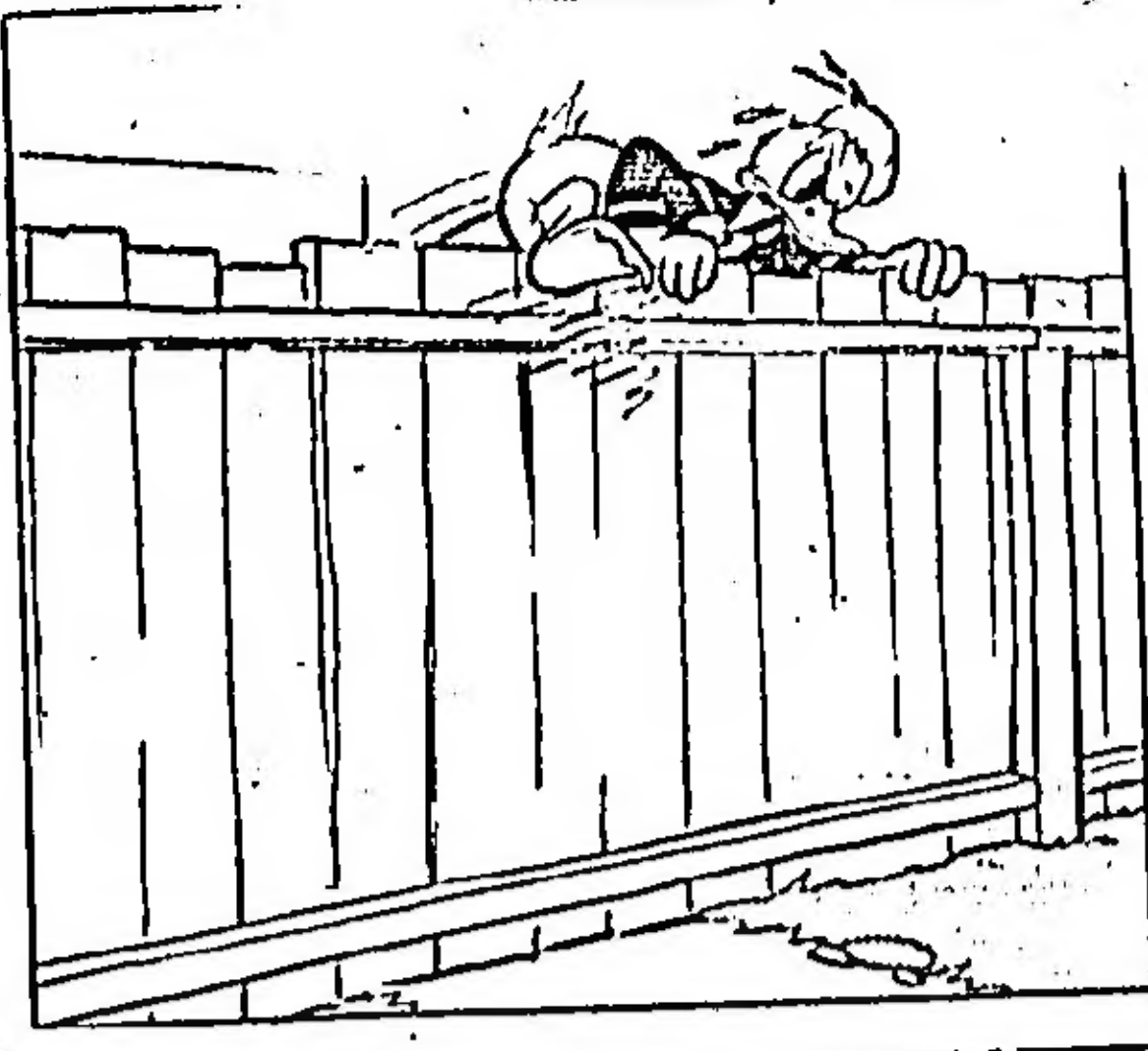
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Turned Son Out of Home Father Of 'C.O.' Finds He Has Conscience Too

A YOUNG man whose father turned him out of his home because of his pacifist views appeared before the Conscientious Objectors' Appeal Tribunal in London.

He was R.S. Hildersley, of New Southgate, N., who had been refused registration by the London Tribunal. Mr. Walter Hildersley said that his son, who was born during an air raid, would not join the Boy Scouts because of his dread of soldiers. Four years ago his son developed pacifist views, and very acute arguments took place in the home. "When we knew of his registration as a conscientious objector, things became very bad at home. After his tribunal appearance, at which I refused to help him in any way, he surprised us by appealing against the decision.

Unfair "This led to a further serious dispute, and ended by me telling him to leave the home. This he did. "It was then I discovered I had a conscience too. I decided it was fair for me to judge him when he should be governed by the decisions of this court."

A Ministry of Labour representative said that the Minister wished to emphasize that it was perfectly possible for an applicant to have definite political objections to the present Government and the present war and yet to have an absolute objection to all war. The appeal tribunal varied the decision of the London tribunal by registering Hildersley for non-combatant duties.

Wearing the uniform of a sergeant in the Salvation Army, H. Love, Kingston-on-Thames, appeared against being registered for non-combatant duties.

Under Orders Major Grant Matthews said that out of his corps of the Salvation Army Love was the only one who was a conscientious objector. Sir Leonard Costello (a member of the tribunal, to Love): You say that being under authority would not be

WHY THE DUTCH MOBILISED

Nazi Plans Fell Into Hands

LIEGE.

I am now able to tell the remarkable story of how the Belgian and Dutch Governments came into possession of Nazi plans which led them to take special defence measures.

A German officer's haste to rejoin his newly-married wife was the prime cause in a chain of events which resulted in the plans falling into Belgian hands. A German plane made a forced landing at Mechelen-sur-Meuse, on the Belgian frontier near here. Two officers were in the machine. One of them belonged to the group of armaments which has its headquarters at Cologne. He was the officer who carried the vitally important documents.

Told To Go By Train

I learn that he had been ordered to convey these documents, which were very bulky, from Berlin to Cologne. So that no risks should be taken, the officer had been told to travel by train. The High Command in Berlin had, in fact, provided him with a first-class railway pass.

It happened that the officer had only recently been married. His wife was living in Cologne. The train journey would have been long to him, and he had been able to see her the same evening. An airman, was just on the point of leaving Tempelhof for Cologne, and the staff officer decided to take this chance of reaching his wife so much more speedily.

As the result of a big navigational error, the pilot crossed the Rhine far to the north of Cologne and found himself over the Dutch border. He was greeted by anti-aircraft fire. He consequently turned south, and a few minutes later had to make a forced landing in a meadow at Mechelen-sur-Meuse.

Borrowed Matches

The first thing the staff officer did was to ask a peasant for some matches. With these he tried to set fire to his documents. The Belgian soldiers hastened to the "plane" however, and forcibly prevented the officer from destroying the papers.

The two Germans were taken to the nearest military post for questioning. During the interview the Nazi Staff officer succeeded in snatching the documents and throwing them into the fire. A Belgian officer was able, however, to recover them before they caught fire.

There could thus be no doubt that these papers were of exceptional importance. According to my information, they related to the transfer to the left bank of the Rhine of 22 newly-formed divisions.

Facts Confirmed

This movement was in course of being carried out. Some of these divisions were to go to the Dutch frontier, but the great majority were destined for the Belgian frontier.

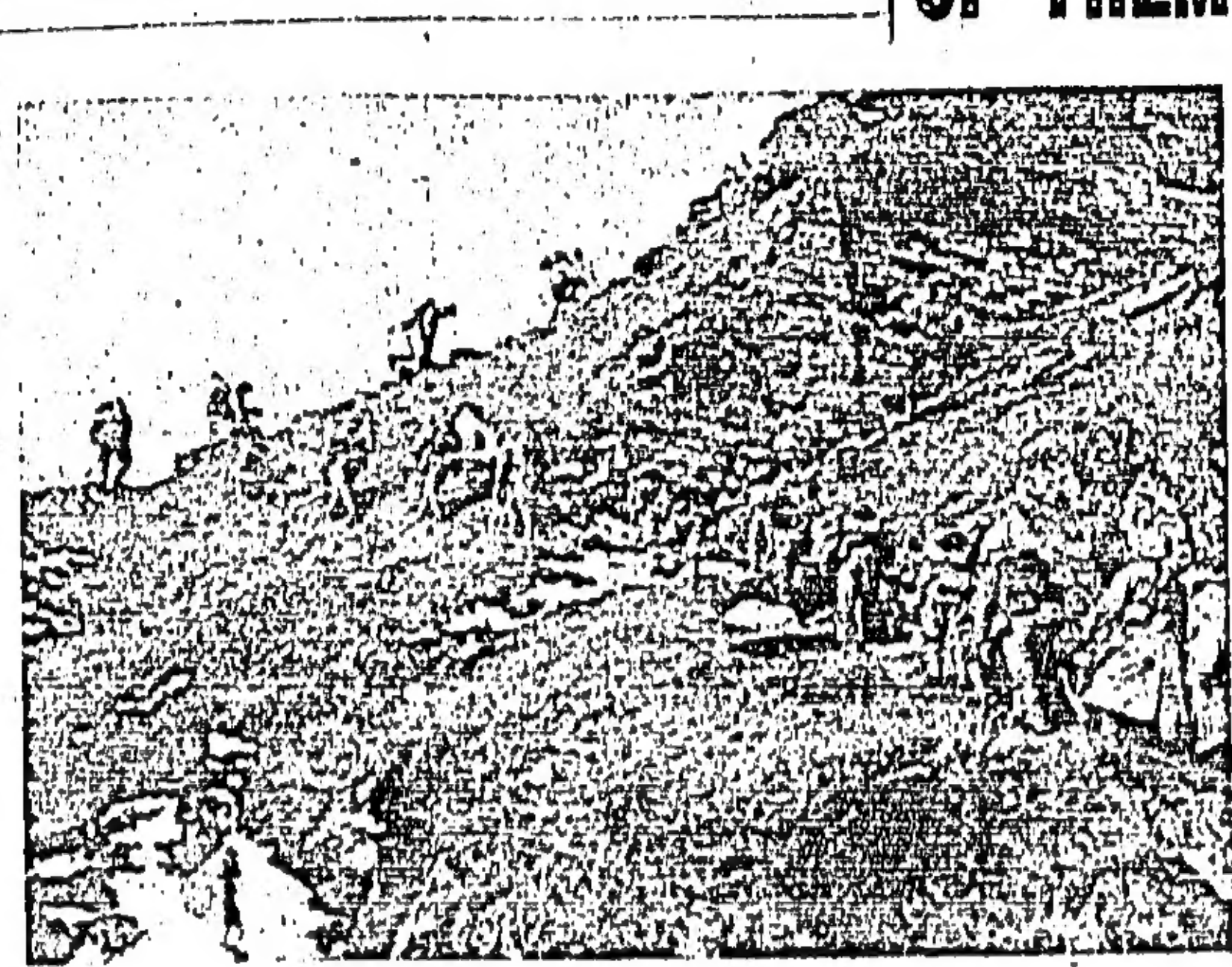
The Belgian Intelligence Service was speedily able to confirm that these troop movements were in fact taking place. At the same time news was received of the arrival in the Anchen area of the Belgo-German frontier of two Army corps, each consisting of three divisions.

While the movement of troops in the sense indicated by the captured plans was thus clearly taking place, it was not possible to be sure whether these movements were to be regarded as a concentration or were merely designed to relieve units already in the area.

At the same time, there was nothing in the papers taken from the German officer at Mechelen which made it possible to place any certainty on this interpretation of the troop movement.

The one fact which is certain is that at the present moment there are 80 divisions on the Dutch frontier, and 80 divisions on the Belgian frontier. The movement of troops and back into the area has not yet taken place.

"SOME FOOLERY," SAYS CORONER: 2 MEN CENSURED



THIS PHOTOGRAPH epitomises the difficulties encountered by Japan in her war with China. It shows Japanese soldiers toiling upwards on a snow-clad battlefield in the north.—Domei.

AFTER a jury had returned a verdict of "Death by misadventure" at the inquest on Miss Evelyn M. Brotherton (18), of St. Albans, who was shot while on duty as a telephone operator at Harpenden Post Office, the coroner severely censured a soldier and a civilian.

Evidence had shown that the shot was accidentally fired by Trooper Arthur Williams after he and Geoffrey Debenham, a telephone operator, had been examining Williams's revolver.

Addressing Williams, the coroner said: "I am saying very little to you because I think you will be dealt with very faithfully elsewhere. I am speaking now to both of you, and especially to Debenham.

"You were in charge, Williams, of a lethal weapon. You have failed in your duty; you should let no one touch that weapon and you should not have forsaken a post which has been assigned to you."

Debenham had interfered "out of sheer curiosity," said the coroner. In his summing-up the coroner said that some idle curiosity induced Debenham to handle the revolver and then "some foolery took place."

Williams, in evidence, said he was the military guard at the post office and left his post at 7.40 and spoke to Debenham, who lifted witness's revolver partly from the weapon to him. "Debenham pointed the revolver at the glass door leading to the switchboard. I could not see into the room, but I knew there were people working there," continued Williams.

Hidden By A Screen

"We both pushed the door open. There was a screen in the room preventing us from seeing completely into it. Debenham poked the revolver round the screen towards the switchboard. I went to take the revolver from Debenham and got my hand partly round the butt. While I was holding it a bullet was discharged from the revolver."

He had been in the Army for 14 months. This was the third time he had acted as guard at the post office. He was fully competent to load, unload and use the weapon.

Williams shook his head when asked by the coroner if the trigger could have been touched by Debenham. The coroner: Have you any explanation as to how that weapon was discharged?—Only that when I tried to take it from Debenham I caught the trigger and it went off.

Never Handled A Firearm

Geoffrey Alan Debenham, of Ox Lane, Harpenden, said he had never handled a firearm before and did not know that the revolver was loaded. "Williams took the revolver completely from my grasp," Debenham added, "and pointed it round the screen. The gun went off. I started back into the passage startled."

Debenham said he was standing on the floor he plugged into the switchboard and called a factor. "Williams took the revolver and pointed it at me. I heard a shot and I saw Evelyn fall forward."

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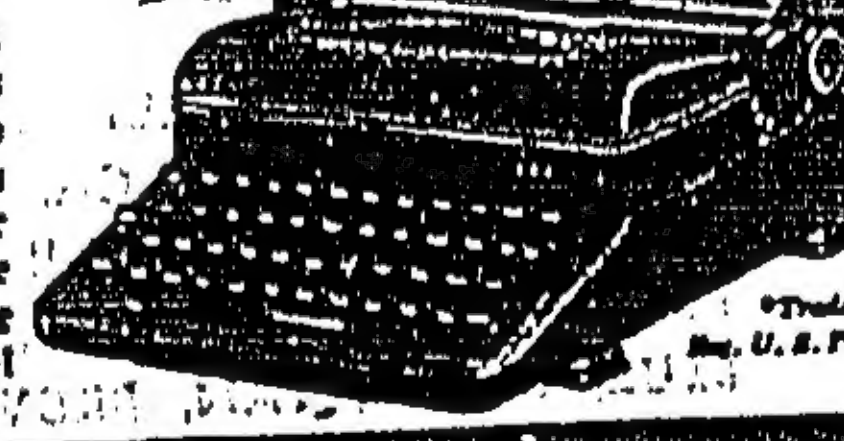
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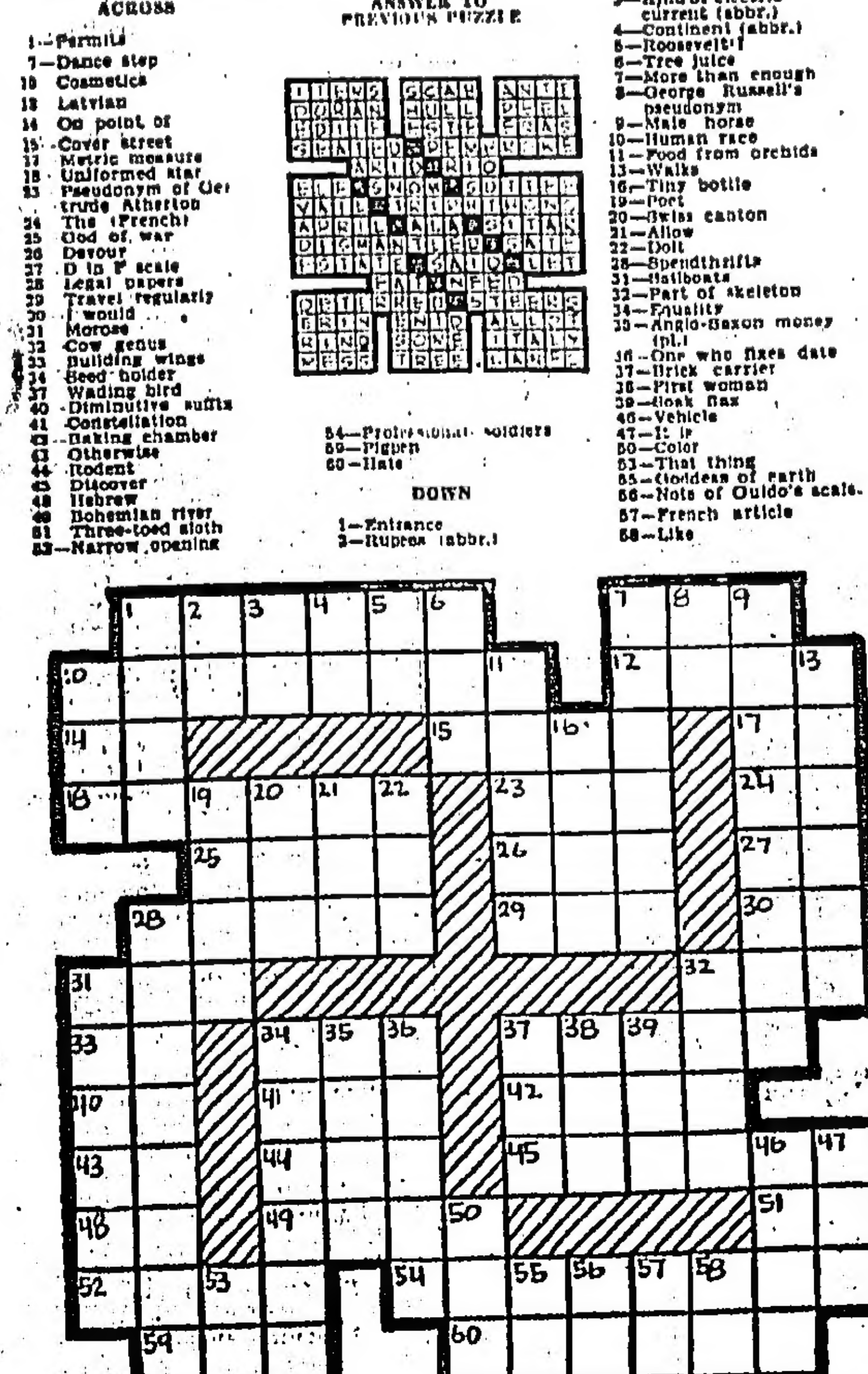
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- 2—Dance step
- 3—Comedica
- 4—Lafayette
- 5—On point of
- 6—Cover street
- 7—Metric measure
- 8—Uniform title
- 9—Pseudonym of Cleopatra
- 10—The French
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- DOWN
- 1—Entrance
- 2—Rudeness (abbr.)
- 3—Kind of electric current (abbr.)
- 4—Continental (abbr.)
- 5—Dove
- 6—More than enough
- 7—George Russell's pseudonym
- 8—Lafayette
- 9—Human race
- 10—Word from orchids
- 11—Wall
- 12—Pink bottle
- 13—Allow
- 14—Heist canton
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 Hodgson, aged 60 years. Funeral
 will pass the Monument at 5
 o'clock to-day. No flowers by
 request.

MAHER.—At the Queen Mary Hos-
 pital on February 13, Maria
 Junina Barros Maher (Jany), at
 the age of 73. The cortege will
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Hongkong And Finland

ELEVEN weeks of war against
 surging hordes, armed with all the
 aircraft and tanks and artillery that
 the energies of the continental mass
 of Russia can produce, and Finland
 still unconquered and resolute. From
 the jaws of the giant her head is
 bloody but unbowed. Military
 critics, even the friendliest, thought
 the Finnish resistance could be no
 more than a gallant gesture soon
 overwhelmed. The army of the Finns
 numbers less than 500,000 men, and
 Stalin counts his hosts by millions.
 But despite bombing of her towns,
 despite attacks from many points
 supported by heavy gun-fire and
 squadron after squadron of tanks and
 inexhaustible waves of infantry, no
 deadly wound has yet been given to
 the Finnish defence. The valiant
 resistance offered to the latest massed
 onslaught makes most heartening
 reading. The Finns still maintain
 themselves against the central threat
 to divide their country across its
 narrowest point at the head of the
 Gulf of Bothnia, and the Manner-
 heim Line across the Karelian
 Isthmus defies the massed artillery
 and the squandered legions of Stalin.
 But civilisation must ask itself how
 long human fortitude can struggle
 against such monstrous odds?

Finland is civilisation's outpost
 against barbarism. If her freedom
 and the noble way of life which she
 has won go down before the Robot
 tyranny of Soviet Russia all Scan-
 dinavia will be threatened by a like
 slavery. The League of Nations has
 already asked its members severally
 in what manner they intend to assist
 Finland in defeating an outrage
 which they condemned and for which
 the aggressor was expelled. From
 the South American States, which
 were the prime movers in this deci-
 sion, Finland can only obtain finan-
 cial support or, in time, foodstuffs.
 On behalf of the British Empire the
 promise has already been given that
 the Finns will receive from British
 factories aircraft and other material,
 and Britain is acting in close concert
 with the French. What have the
 neutral countries to offer Finland?
 She is the champion of them all in
 European neutral nations have great
 material interest in her cause. Those
 across the seas owe it the support
 not only of common humanity, but
 of like ideas.

We in Hongkong, although far
 away from the scene of Russian
 barbarism, can do our small bit to
 help Finland's resistance. It is
 gratifying to note that, despite the
 many calls on our pockets, Hongkong
 has responded readily to the "Friends
 of Finland" fund inaugurated by the
 Society for Finland, and that the total
 two remittances totalling £405 to be
 sent to Finland.
 It is well said that Finland's cause

is the cause of the whole civilised
 world and, however small Hongkong's
 response as compared with the aid
 the great Powers can give, it is the
 unity of a world opposed to barbaric
 aggression that really counts. At the
 same time, Hongkong's £405, when
 multiplied by similar donations from
 other parts of the world aiding in like
 manner, may easily be the last straw
 that will break the Russian camel's
 back.

The Finns have done miracles and,
 in aiding the worthy cause launched
 by the Finnish Consul in Hongkong,
 we are aiding them to continue.

Happy days again (after to-day)

IT is a very old notion
 that the birds of the air
 choose their mates on
 February 14.

In his poem the Parlia-
 ment of Fowles written by
 Geoffrey Chaucer in 1380
 these words are to be read:
 For this was on Seynt Valentynes
 day,
 When every foul cometh there to
 choose his mate.

The invention of the hearsay
 is a very perfect example of the
 delicate fancies that so often be-
 long to the lore of the country-
 side.

How charming a thing it is to
 contemplate the fidelity of the
 birds, the fidelity of these little
 creatures with bright eyes and
 shining feathers who dance
 above our heads light as leaves
 —linnets with rosy breasts,
 chaffinches with white epau-
 lettes, and the little wrens who
 are always careful to build an
 extra nest for the cock bird to
 sing from.

I remember being shown by
 the swan-herd at Abbotsbury
 two old swans that had been
 faithful to each other for longer
 than he could remember, and
 the same constancy may be
 observed in the pair of ravens
 which every year nest on the
 great chalk headland of White
 Nose, in Dorset.

FROM rook to wren, He causes them to be wakened
 these aerial com- with his hunting horns and says,
 panions of our lumpy earth. "Saint Valentine is past: Begin
 existence, live under the fond these wood birds, but to couple
 belief that, fly where they may, now!"
 they never can find a better mate than the one they have
 chosen.

It may be that the sparrows— those favoured outsiders of the
 goddess Venus—have remained Lorna Doone, as all dazed and
 untroubled by any such honour- half-drowned he regained con-
 able illusions, fluttering invita- sciousness to see her dark hair
 tions from rest to crutch every- against the first primrose of the
 hour of the day in spring, sum- year!

It is not to be doubted that the careless felicity of these
 fancy-free restless yearning for romance that moves our hearts
 poorly enough with the high devotion, let us say, of the turtle
 dove, which Shakespeare so well knock off in *The Winter's Tale*:

I an old turtle,
 Will wing me to some wither'd
 bough, and there
 My mate, that's never to be
 found again.

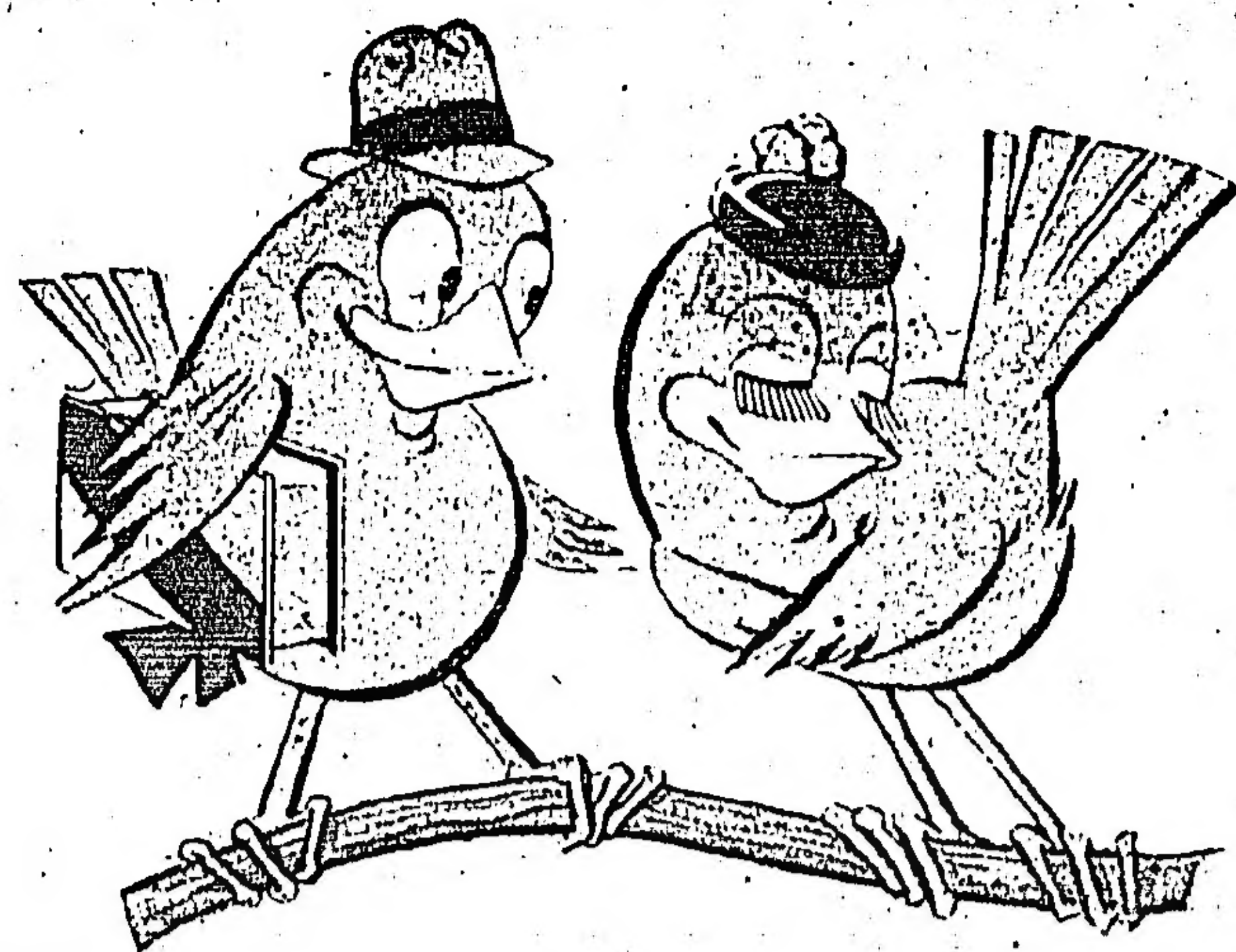
Lament till I am lost.

This represents an exaggerat-
 ed picture of such life-long
 infatuations, and who knows but
 the little roguish house-top
 spadgers do not have the best
 of it! "As long live the merry
 as the sad."

VALENTINE'S DAY is
 "a queynte day" in
 any case, and a day full of
 mischief. Girls who go to sleep
 with four bay leaves pinned to
 the four corners of their laven-
 der pillows on St. Valentine's
 Eve will be sure to dream
 dreams of grace and pleasure,
 and the first person they see the
 next morning they must ac-
 knowledge without further to do
 as their Valentine—the lucky
 boy who will have the right to
 demand a new favour for every
 one of the twelve months.
 It is seldom that a proper

is the cause of the whole civilised
 world and, however small Hongkong's
 response as compared with the aid
 the great Powers can give, it is the
 unity of a world opposed to barbaric
 aggression that really counts. At the
 same time, Hongkong's £405, when
 multiplied by similar donations from
 other parts of the world aiding in like
 manner, may easily be the last straw
 that will break the Russian camel's
 back.

The Finns have done miracles and,
 in aiding the worthy cause launched
 by the Finnish Consul in Hongkong,
 we are aiding them to continue.



According to country folk to-day is the day
 when the birds of the air choose their mates.

wooden clapper when he sings:
 Eat birds, eat, and make no
 waste,
 I lie here and make no
 haste;
 If my master chance to
 come—
 You must fly and I must
 run.
 And the lonely goose-girl on
 the green common, silver with
 pussy-willows and yellow with
 gorse, what plaint does she
 carol?

I am a pretty wench,
 And I came a great way
 hence
 And sweethearts I can get
 none;
 But every glossy crow
 Can get sweethearts enow,
 But I, pretty wench, can't
 get one.

It was the same little maiden
 perhaps, who, as she sat combing
 her hazel locks against the
 mossy root of the old ash tree,
 well sheltered from the wind
 made up the following verse:

Gray goose and gander
 Waft your wings together
 And carry my mother's
 daughter

Over the one strand river.
 And in the cities the same
 happy unrest is felt. The clouds
 that float above the steeples and
 the chimney pots of our town
 seem to tempt us to a freer life.
 There are rumours in the air
 and as we return home from
 work we know that at every
 street corner we may meet in
 the daffodil twilight the one we
 have searched for all our life
 long!

Up street and down street
 Each window is made of
 glass
 And if you go to the further
 house

You'll find a pretty lass.
 With the passing of Saint
 Valentine's Day the softer
 months of the year are before
 us. Even the month of March
 need not affront us blow as he
 may his donkey's horn.

BEFORE us are all the
 happy Saturday after-
 noons of the summer, Sunday
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G.O.C. the Canadians won't waste his soldiers

by
**WILLIAM
 BARKLEY**

"I'm a soldier, not a scholar."
 He said the words with a laugh.
 He had been speaking of the health
 of the Canadian troops on their
 voyage to Britain. Among them all
 there were two cases of pneumonia,
 but, said the general, "they yielded to
 sulphuramide treatment."

A word which would twist most
 tongues came trippingly off his
 tongue when some one said "Spell it!"
 that Major-General A. G. L. Mc-
 Naughton, commanding the Canadian
 Active Service Force, grinned and
 said he was not a scholar.

In truth he is both scientist and
 soldier. In himself he admirably re-
 presents that quality of adapted
 intelligence which he is building into
 his Canadian division. His belief is
 that a modern army—
 mechanised, expert and technical—
 can be built in short time from civil-
 ians if the civilians are technical ex-
 perts already, and particularly if they
 are Canadians.

"That is where we score as a
 pioneer country," he told me. "We
 are accustomed to fighting the rigours
 of nature. We don't need to create
 technical experience. We have a
 wealth of it which merely requires
 adaptation."
 Andrew or "Andy" McNaughton—
 "I'm of Scottish ancestry"—is in him-
 self part of that Canadian wealth of
 adaptable experience. He has slipped
 into khaki as lightly as he slipped it
 in 1919. In the last war, as in this,
 he was one of the first Canadian
 contingents landing in France in
 February 1915 as major of artillery,
 in which he had done militia service
 since his undergraduate days of 1909.
 He ended the war in command of the
 Canadian Heavy Artillery.

Between wars he has applied his
 scientific brain to the military art
 until four years ago his Government
 put him at the head of the Canadian
 National Research Council. He is
 himself the inventor of a cathode
 ray direction-finder. Precision instru-
 ments of aircraft, meteorological re-
 search, metallurgical research—
 such have been the interests of
 Canada's Commander. But all the
 time he was applying his laboratory
 experience to mechanical warfare.

Just on the outbreak of war he
 came to London with the War
 Mission of Canadian manufacturers
 and returned to spread his enthusi-
 asm for the newest guns which he
 had inspected here. Once again he
 has left the laboratory and slipped
 back into khaki, the embodiment of
 the skilled technician who sizes up
 to his idea of the modern soldier.

At fifty-two he is slim, lean-
 featured and alert as a blackbird.
 His black moustache is greying, but
 there are bushy black eye-brows
 over the sombre brown eyes which
 concentrate the frankest and most
 comprehending gaze as he speaks to
 one. His manner is natural, quite
 unstudied and all the more impres-
 sive for that. He is grim and serious.
 "This is not a glorious adventure
 that we are engaged on," he said.
 "That is not the spirit of my men.
 We regard it as an unpleasant job
 that has got to be done and done as
 quickly as possible so that we can
 get back to our civil avocations."
 War as he wages it is not going
 to be any affair of wasting men on
 gallant but hopeless exploits.
 "Machines and intelligence are the
 things to win the war with," he says,
 "not young lives."

His task now is to extract the last
 ounce of benefit from our own
 Army's experience and to equip his
 own magnificent manpower with
 every device that can render them
 formidable as a scientific fighting
 force.

ARF A Mo', ADOLF!



force.

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

ANZACS ARRIVE SAFELY

New York, Feb. 13. That the Allied Army is now assembling on historic ground would seem to be the duty of an assurance against any attempt to spread the war, says the New York Times commenting on the arrival of the New Zealand force in Egypt. Without firing a shot it can act as a terrible warning to Germany or Russia in case either is tempted to strike in the Near East.

After paying a tribute to the conception, planning and execution of transport of the force from New Zealand, the paper says that the British should be proud of the daughter nations in the Pacific so distant from this war but so well aware of all it means for the continuance of their democratic way of life.

The New York Herald-Tribune says the movement is probably a preparatory precautionary measure, but the re-appearance of the Anzacs in Egypt at least is a striking demonstration of the fact that if something does happen in the spring the Allies have tremendous resources on which to draw for meeting it.—Reuter.

Press Comments

London, Feb. 13. Commenting on the arrival of the Australian and New Zealand forces in Egypt, the Daily Mail first gave three cheers for the forces and said that in 1914-18 Australia sent 412,000 and New Zealand 128,000 men to fight Kaiserism. To-day they are fighting Hitlerism. The "ism" may be different but the enemy is the same—brute force, arrogance and inhuman actions of the Germans.—Reuter Bulletin.

"There is no doubt about the spirit of the troops," says The Times in a leading article.

"Both the Australian and New Zealand forces are composed exclusively of men who have volunteered individually to take their part in this crusade for freedom and for the right of small nations to maintain their independence against lawless aggression."

"Nothing has demonstrated more effectively the unity of the British Commonwealth than the transport across the Atlantic of the Canadian Army now training somewhere in England, followed so closely by the transport across the Indian Ocean of the Australian and New Zealand troops."

Referring to the Dominion Secretary's expression of appreciation of Egypt's hospitable reception, the paper says: "What Egypt has done since the outbreak of war to co-operate with the Allies in making impregnable the position in the Near and Middle East deserves indeed the warmest recognition. All the peoples, Arab and non-Arab, of that strategically important area are solidly behind the Allies and are giving them every assistance within their power, but it is the French army in Syria and the British and Egyptian Armies in Egypt who are the core of the defence in the Middle East."

"The forces in Egypt have been expanded by enlistment of volunteers from Malta, Cyprus and Palestine. Germany's new subjects, Poles, Czechs and Slovaks, who have been 'liberated' by the Fuehrer, are being dragged to work for the Reich. Wherever the British flag flies, whether in the Dominions in Crown Colonies or in dependencies, free men are volunteering to defend the ideals for which the Empire stands."

The Manchester Guardian says, "It is not at once that the full power of the Empire can be marshalled. Germany has but to mobilise and march to the frontier she intends to violate and in a few days France will have given the order that her colonial troops can begin to cross the Mediterranean. But our connections span the hemispheres and reach to the Antipodes. Not only is the distance great and the seas dangerous but we here can give no order and make no plan. We can appeal to equal members of our Commonwealth but decision and speed of the answer rest with them."

The Daily Telegraph says, "With the sure instinct of people born and bred in freedom, the King's subjects of the Antipodes, not less than those here at home, have realised how clear and simple the issue is. Here in the heart of the Empire an honour and are grateful for the understanding and allegiance which our brethren from the other side of the world are rendering to the fundamental ideal and tradition of our common heritage.—British Wireless.

British Welcome For Welles

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, referring to the forthcoming visit of Mr. Sumner Welles to Europe, said that the British Government for their part would be ready to welcome President Roosevelt's representative and take him fully into their confidence with the object of assisting the President to form an estimate of the present situation.

JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER CRITICISED IN DIET

HOW GERMAN SHIP SANK

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 13 (U.P.).—Rear-Admiral Harwood, Commander of H.M.S. Hawkins, announced that another British cruiser picked up the crew of the Wakama, but the "Journal" quotes the crew of the Hawkins as saying that the Hawkins sank the German freighter Volkburg before she sighted the Wakama. They would, however, give no other details except that the crews of both vessels were on the Hawkins.

DIGGERS WELCOMED

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ary Force, cabled the First Lord of the Admiralty to-day.

The cable read: "I send you on this historic day the thanks of all ranks to the gallant ships of the Royal Navy protecting us on our voyage to Egypt."

Mr. Winston Churchill replied that the Royal Navy was proud to carry the famous Anzacs once again across the ocean.

"All your old comrades in the Royal Naval Division rejoice to see you at the head of the New Zealand command," he added.

N.Z. Raises Another Army

WELLINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Within 24 hours of the landing of the Australian and New Zealand troops, the New Zealand Minister of Defence was announcing that a second New Zealand contingent for overseas was only 753 men short of full strength.

He declared that within a week sufficient men should be available from a third contingent.

Response to the call had been excellent. The New Zealand Government, he said, was trying to get reinforcements ready some months ahead of requirements.

A National Recruiting Committee, therefore, was being formed.

Neutrals Impressed

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—There is ample evidence that the arrival of the Australian and New Zealand Forces in the Middle East has created a great impression not only at home but also in neutral countries.

It is the leading topic of conversation in England. Messages from France show that our Allies are equally stirred by this demonstration of solidarity.

The headline over the story of the arrival in "Le Journal" is typical of both the French and English sentiment that they have a new trump card for victory.

The American papers also give it a great deal of space.

The "New York Herald-Tribune" calls it a striking achievement like that of the transport of the Canadian contingents to England but it is even more spectacular from the technical standpoint.

In Britain, the "Times" emphasises that every man was a volunteer. Nothing has demonstrated more clearly the unity of the British Commonwealth than the transport of the Canadians followed so closely by that of the Australians and New Zealanders.

Indestructible Unity

The "Daily Telegraph" says that the disembarkations of two formidable reinforcements for the Allied armies is palpable evidence of the indestructible unity of the Empire.

The paper stresses that it is only because the British Navy has command of the seas that it was possible to transport the troops.

The "Daily Mail" comments that the fact that free men should hurry from all parts of the world to fight for what they believed was something which Hitler cannot comprehend but he will soon understand its meaning.

The question why the troops should assemble in the Middle East was the subject of articles in some newspapers.

The papers, however, point out that the Suez Canal is still in some ways the jugular vein of the Empire and also that the Allies have given guarantees to the small nations in the Balkans and Turkey that they are now our friends.

The "Manchester Guardian" says that the Middle East has become for Britain and France a wide defensive or offensive position of great strength.

Rumania and Turkey have been threatened by the only two great Powers likely to disturb them. If this disturbance takes place our duty will be clear.

Breach Is Now Healed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Iran resumed full diplomatic relations with the United States to-day when the Iranian Minister, Mohammed Schayesteh, presented his credentials to President Roosevelt.

Schayesteh was appointed Minister in December following a diplomatic breach lasting two years. Relations became strained when, following a car accident in which he was involved, the Iranian Minister to the United States was recalled.

Mishandling Of Asama Maru Case Alleged

Minorities Suffering Nazi Cruelty Is Exposed

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Further evidence of the way minorities are suffering under the Nazi heel is provided by an article in the "New York Times."

So much food has been taken from Bohemia and Moravia, it says, that there is now not enough wheat and rye remaining to provide food for the population. Starvation is their prospect.

Farmers are selling live-stock because there is no food stock. Nevertheless the Prague Cabinet has been ordered to provide 100,000 hogs by the spring although there is no food to feed them.

The production of butter and fats is only 12 per cent. of the normal. Nevertheless margarine factories must continue to ship definite amounts, all carefully wrapped in Russian paper, to bolster up the courage of the German consumer.

NEUTRALS AROUSED

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of the "Telegraaf" writes: "Our people feel nothing but disgust and indignation at such piracy and the Government knows in advance that it has the whole nation behind it if it makes clear at the proper time and place and with proper emphasis that Holland does not wish to be threatened with want and hunger through the illegal and unreasonable action of one of the parties in the war."

Netherland Protest

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Government will shortly protest in Berlin at the torpedoing of the Dutch freighter Arendskerk.

A most serious view is taken in official quarters regarding reports of the torpedoing of the Burgerdijk which have been received up to now. It is considered that if the reports are verified the sinking of the Burgerdijk was the most flagrant violation of the rights of neutral shipping yet committed.

A very strong protest is expected.

Diggers In Palestine

JAFFA, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The first contingent of Australian troops arrived in Palestine to-day after a five hour train journey.

An unending line of grey buses conveyed them from the "small station through the orange groves to a white-tented camp which had been prepared by a Scottish regiment who greeted the newcomers warmly. The battle dresses of "the Scotties" and "the Diggers" contrasted but they soon fraternised.

GERMAN RAID REPULSED

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Agency reports from the Western Front: "No change took place on the Western Front to-day. Artillery action on both sides was slight."

"At Grosswald a hostile fortification was destroyed by hand grenades. At some points along the Rhine, for instance at Greffern, there was machine-gun fire."

"Patrol activities continued in the usual manner."

Clash With Armed Tribesmen

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—A British officer and an Indian Sepoy were killed and five Sepoys were wounded in a clash between troops and armed tribesmen seven miles north-west of Bannu to-day.

The fighting took place when the troops were on reconnaissance duty. The gang is believed to have suffered heavily.

President Signs Defence Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt to-day signed a Bill appropriating \$252,000,000 (about £63,000,000) for national defence and enforcement of the United States' neutrality policy.

The money becomes immediately available for expenditure before the end of June next.

STOCK EXCHANGE MORE QUIET

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was quieter, home falls encountering profit-taking. Industrials were irregular.

Glit-edged securities occasionally improved. Kaffirs were weak on small Capex sales.

Wall Street was irregularly higher.

Tokyo, Feb. 13.

Referring to the Terukuni Maru, the 10,000-ton N.Y.K. liner which struck a mine and sank off the coast of England, Mr. Ryo Koyama, Jikoku Doshikai, alleged to-day that the steamer met the disaster while taking a course designated by the British Navy and judging by the locale and weather conditions it was problematical whether the mine was laid by a German ship. Since Britain had designated the course her responsibility was apparent.

Mr. Koyama claimed, asking the Foreign Minister how he had dealt with the question.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, said the Japanese Government queried Germany and Britain regarding the case. Britain sent replies at the beginning of the year and negotiations were still in progress.

Asked whether the Asama Maru incident could not have been foreseen, Mr. Arita said negotiations were still in progress regarding the difference of views between Britain and Japan regarding the removal of belligerent nationals from a neutral ship and the Japanese authorities were convinced that such an attempt would not be made by Britain again.

Mr. Koyama pointed out that Mr. Sato, Japanese Consul-General at San Francisco, informally suggested that Germans should be handed over to the Asama Maru while the search of letters aboard the Hakozaki Maru was also permitted in accordance with the suggestions by Japanese diplomatic authorities.

Asked whether the representation on the British communication for the seizure of Germans aboard a neutral ship was made only by the Naval Attache in London, the Japanese Ambassador did not present any protest or whether the Foreign Minister felt any responsibility for these matters, Mr. Arita said that the representation by the Naval Attache formed a formal protest as it was made with the approval of the Japanese Ambassador.

Arita Responsible

Mr. Arita said that he approved the directions given by the Consul-General at San Francisco to the effect that German passengers should be delivered if requested by a British warship forcefully. He said that he felt himself responsible for it. He asked the questions to recognize the measures taken by Japanese diplomatic authorities as reasonable by considering what would happen if the forcible request by a British warship was rejected and the Asama Maru had been sunk.

Mr. Koyama asked Mr. Arita how he had failed to announce that the delivery of Germans had been made in accordance with Foreign Office directions at the time when the Asama Maru captain was taken to task. He also asked the Foreign Office what measures were being taken regarding the allegedly frequent occurrence of "intimidation" of Japanese trading ships by warships of unknown nationality near the shores of Japan.

Mr. Arita said that he felt great sympathy for the Asama Maru captain. An inquiry was being carried out by the Communications Ministry and he would refrain from making any definite comment thereabout.

Endorsing the steps taken by the Asama Maru captain registered of Foreign Office directions, Mr. Arita charged that those were wrong who would blame the captain. He said that if necessary, protests would be made regarding the conducts of foreign warships against Japanese merchant ships.

Asked about the alleged intervention by a British warship in the searching of ship suspected of smuggling on the Yangtze last year, the Navy Minister, Admiral Yoshida, promised to make an inquiry.

Mr. Koyama then asked why Japanese authorities in accordance with International Law did not request British warships to leave China ports within 24 hours or disarm them otherwise since China was a neutral country, and also how the Foreign Minister viewed the stationing of British troops in Shanghai where Britain had no right of stationing troops.

Mr. Arita said the matters required careful considerations as they not only concerned Japan and belligerent Powers but also third Powers.—Domei.

Nazis In Hongkong

Tokyo, Feb. 13. Mr. Masayuki Tani, the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, received Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, this morning. The interview lasted an hour and a half.

It is understood that arrangements have been made for the handing over of nine Germans in accordance with the recent agreement for a settlement of the Asama Maru incident.

Sir Robert Craigie is understood to have informed Mr. Tani that British authorities have finished preparations for delivering nine Germans to Japan. The British envoy said that the delivery will be carried out after making arrangements with the Hongkong authorities.

Informal quarters understood that the Germans will be handed over to Japanese authorities by the end of this month, probably in Japanese territory.

Mr. Tani, during the course of his

Squadron Downs First Plane

LONDON, Feb. 13 (British Wireless).—It is revealed to-day that the Fighter Squadron which was formed with the £100,000 gift from the Nizam of Hyderabad has shot down its first enemy aircraft. It is the first of newly formed fighter squadrons to do so. Its victim was one of three Heinkels brought down during the raids on shipping on February 3. A souvenir of the combat in the form of a rubber boat is now housed in the squadron's rest room.

The Heinkel crashed into the sea off Northumberland. Three of the crew took to their rubber boat but high seas swept them overboard. Their bodies have been washed ashore.

Nearly all the Dominions as well as Great Britain are represented among the pilots in the squadron.

DEBATE OF 29 HOURS

Record Sitting Of South African Assembly

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—After challenging the Government's war measure in a House of Assembly debate lasting 26 hours, the Opposition led by General Hertzog and Dr. Malan unsuccessfully moved for an adjournment this afternoon.

The motion was defeated by 78 to 46 votes, and the debate on the second reading of the Emergency Powers Bill, therefore, is continuing.

Chief Was Exhausted

The Opposition Whip, asking General Smuts to accept the adjournment motion, stated that the House was unable to carry on; the official reporters were exhausted, there were no supplies in the pantries and the chief, who had been on duty 36 hours, was nearing exhaustion.

The Whip added that there were still 22 members of the Opposition wishing to speak. Unless there was an adjournment, the debate would continue until 4 a.m. to-morrow at the earliest.

The Assembly finally passed the second reading of the War Measures Bill by 70 to 59 votes after a record sitting of 28 hrs. 47 minutes.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: To-day's recordings on the Board were not so extensive as those of yesterday, but enquiries have by no means been entirely satisfied. Strip remains scarce.

Buyers	
H.K. Bank	C.D. \$1,400
Docks	\$22.35
Providents	\$4.05
Hotels	\$5.65
Lands	\$30
Tramways	\$10.40
Yau-mat Ferry	\$24.44
China Lights (Old)	\$7.74
China Lights (New)	\$4.85
Electric	\$57.74
Telephones (Old)	\$25.40
Cements	\$10.10
Ropes	\$5.70
Dairy Farms (Old)	\$21.60
Dairy Farms (New)	\$21.60
Watsons	\$9.40
Entertainments	\$7
Sellers	
Docks	\$22.74
Providents	\$4.80
Watsons	\$9.60
Sales	
H.K. Bank (Lon Reg)	\$1,370
Wharves	\$102
Providents	\$4.05
Hotels	\$5.74
Lands	\$30/30.4
Tramways	\$10.40
Electric	\$57.74
Telephones (New)	\$9.74
Cements	\$19.20
Dairy Farms (Old)	\$22
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	100

American Planes For Sweden

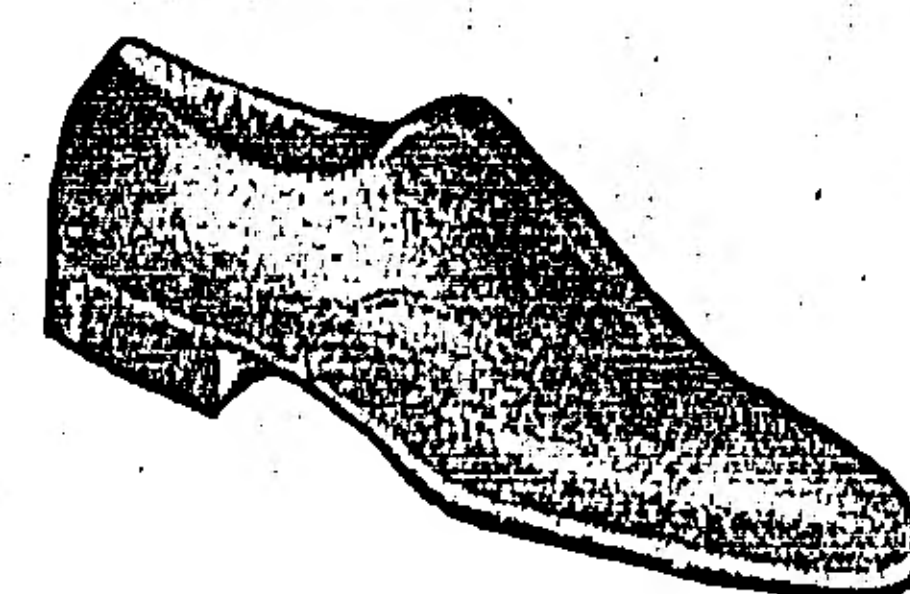
WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively reported that the Swedish Purchasing Mission has contracted for 14 Vultee planes which are reputed to be capable of a speed exceeding 400 m.p.h. The cost is approximately \$10,000,000.

conversations with Sir Robert, communicated the Japanese Government's desire to continue negotiations for the return of the remaining Germans.—Domei.

Ott Calls On Tani

Tokyo, Feb. 13.

Herr Eugen Ott, the German Ambassador, called on Mr. Masayuki Tani, the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, yesterday afternoon. The German Ambassador was understood to have sought information regarding the Asama Maru case. Information was also understood to have been exchanged regarding the European situation.—Domei.



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RECREIO BEAT C.S.C.C. LONG DRIVE RECORDS

Rapid Century By Alec Pearce: Craigengower Trounce Kowloon

THE ONLY MATCH in the first division of the League on Saturday last was that between the Recreio at home and the Civil Service. The improved form of the latter team suggested the possibility that they might pull off the game, which would have a very great bearing on other Clubs' chances for the Shield. But it was not to be.

I estimate that playing on their own ground is worth fifty to seventy-five runs to the Recreio. They indeed started badly but recovered, and the Civil Service could do nothing with their excellent bowling on their very tricky wicket.

Good bowling by Perry and McLellan, and a run out enabled the Civil Service to get down the first five Recreio wickets for fifty, but then Gerry Gosano and Rodrigues came to the rescue. The bowling tired and Whitley was not on his day.

Again a run out helped as Gerry Gosano went out from an excellent return by Barrow, who was fielding very well at cover. But the bowling was bad—and some of the fielding was not on his day.

SPORT ADVTS.

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17th, 18th, 20th, 21st and 24th
February

On Saturday, 17th, Monday, 19th, Tuesday, 20th, and Wednesday, 21st February, the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m., and the last race will be run at 1.30 p.m. On Saturday, 24th February, the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the last race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The time interval will be after the fourth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

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Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (Indies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all such, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box, (Tel. 21920).

No pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting. No animals will be allowed on the Fifth Day.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Ties, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tickets will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES
Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1940.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Entries close on Saturday, 24th February.
Forms are obtainable from all Clubs affiliated to the H.K.L.T.A.

ASTONISHING SALE OF DERBY TICKETS

THE SALE of sweep tickets on the Hongkong Derby has reached almost 450,000. For days a continuous stream of buyers has been moving up and down the stairway of Exchange Building, and if the remarkable rush continues—there are five and a half more days to go—the ultimate number of tickets sold is going to be prodigious.

The first prize will be about \$190,000, as sales stand at the moment, and around \$60,000 will be divided among the drawers of unplaced entries.

The proceeds of the sweep, after deducting expenses, are in aid of the British War Organisation Fund and the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China.



A. A. LOPES, who entered the semi-finals of the Country Club Championship by beating P. K. Y. Tjan on the last green.

75,000 Miles A Year On A Cycle

LONDON, Jan. 11.—Every day was the same to Tommy Godwin, a young professional cyclist. He slept five hours one day, seven the next and spent the rest of his time cycling at 15 m.p.h. He set out on January 1, to cycle 200 miles a day for 500 days. By December 21, he had covered 75,000 miles, and had beaten the existing world record by more than 12,000 miles.

He hopes to cover the remaining 25,000 miles by May next. On Jan. 10 he rode his all-white Raleigh cycle through thick fog from Stoke-on-Trent to Nottingham. There he was presented with trophies to commemorate his record ride. He uses a four-speed Sturmey-Archer gear, and his dynamo lighting for black-out riding.

Godwin has his meals in snack bars, and although he has cycled twice as far as a hard-worked motor-car travels in a year, he is heavier now than he was when he started out.

Test Cricket

England Unlikely To Visit Australia

Melbourne, Feb. 13.—Mr. A. W. D. Robertson, Chairman of the Cricket Board of Control, stated today that in view of the war situation and Empire interest he did not think a visit of an English test team to Australia next year would be either desirable or profitable, but should England suggest such a tour Australia would consider it. He said, however, that he felt sure no such move would be made.—United Press.

World Athletic Record Broken

NEW YORK, Feb. 4 (UP)—John Borican, National A.A.U. outdoor pentathlon champion, representing the Shore Athletic Club, established a new world's record here today in the three-quarter mile run, with a time of 3:27.10. The former record for this event, 3:37.14, was set by Lloyd Hahn, of Kansas, in 1925. Don Lath, representing the Indiana A.A.U. club, beat Gregory Rice, National A.A.U. 8,000 metre champion in the two mile event, with a time of 9:00.10.

NO ROWING BLUES BEING AWARDED THIS YEAR

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The Oxford and Cambridge boat-race at Henley on March 2 will be an unofficial race over 1½ miles. No Blues will be awarded. Both Universities are training hard, attempting to cram two terms' work into a few weeks, choosing their eights from 70 or 80 candidates and a few Blues who are in residence. Oxford intended using their 1938 boat, but it was seriously damaged in a bow collision during practice last week.

ROYAL ENGINEERS BEAT ROYAL SCOTS IN ARMY RUGGER LEAGUE

TWO MATCHES in the Army Rugby League were played yesterday on the Army ground, Sookunpo, where the Royal Engineers defeated the Royal Scots in a thrilling game by 6 pts. (two tries) to nil, after leading 3-0 at half-time, and the 5th A. A. Brigade caused an upset by beating the 8th Heavy Brigade by 11 pts. (a goal and two tries) to 3 (a try), after leading by 8-0 at the interval.

Low and hard tackling, fine back movements, and excellent foot rushes contributed to the splendid showing in the first game.

The Scots sadly missed Boe. Riddale was fast, but was given little leeway. Duke, Binkerton, Miller and Sutherland shone for Scots in the pack, and although both sets of forwards played well in the loose, the Scots were unable to get going—the quick breaking of the Sappers' pack giving their opponents' backs little opportunity to break away.

Waite was outstanding among the Engineers' backs, but it was up forward that the winners triumphed. Birrell, Sappers' left wing-three, brought off two astonishing kicks, both of which were between 45 and 50 yards from the posts. The kicking, and both sailed 10 or 15 feet over the bar and almost directly over the centre.

Apperley, Eouzan, Brinkley and Sheldrake were the pick of the pack.

SPARKLING MOVEMENTS

The first half was a series of sparkling back movements, most of which broke down near the side-lines through rugged tackling. A serious infringement against Scots for picking the ball out of the back row saw Birrell kick an amazing penalty from over 50 yards and the Engineers led at the interval. Another penalty goal late in the second half gave Sappers victory at a critical moment when repeated onslaughts by the Scots failed to dislodge the Sappers. Engineers: O'way, Artingstall, Martin, Jones, Birrell, Waite, Foley, Apperley, Eouzan, E. Binkerton, Davies, Brinkley, Killean, Sheldrake. Scots: Ross, Marshall, Cuthbertson, Riddale, Gilbey, Douglas, Gray, Murray, Sullivan, Miller, Loughran, Lane, Duke, Ford, Pinkerton.

5th A.A. 11 8th Heavy 3

Fine running by Gibben, winners' left-centre three, earned him two well-earned tries, and he received excellent support from his backs. Marsh and McDermott were the pick of the Heavies, but were unsupported and missed the services of Richards, who was one of the touch. Gibben (2) and Clark scored for the A.A.s, Dobbinson converting one try, and McDermott replying for the Heavies late in the second half.

5th A.A. Bde.—Easterbrook, Mulligan, Sutcliffe, Gibben, Dobbinson, Mulligan, Evans, Rafferty, Clarke, Cook, Hanney, Barnes, MacIntyre, Taylor, 8th Hvy. Bde.—McCarthy, Marsh, McDermott, Richards, Freer, Keeble, Foster, Humberstone, Pitt, Bowen, Humberstone, Jones, Turner, McMillan, Plummer.

H.K.C.C. Teams

The following will represent Hongkong Cricket Club against Recreio on Saturday: Firsts (Home)—T. A. Pearce, C. G. Atkinson, D. S. Gray, D. G. Day, A. H. Pinnie, J. H. Fox, M. F. L. Hayman, H. Owen Hughes, L. D. Kilbee, A. H. MacIntyre, McCarthy, Marsh, McDermott, Richards, Freer, Keeble, Foster, Humberstone, Pitt, Bowen, Humberstone, Jones, Turner, McMillan, Plummer.

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H. KEW played brilliant golf to beat F. E. A. Remedios on the 19th green in the Country Club Championship.

German Sportsmen At The Front

LONDON, (Reuter).—Rudolf Harbig, holder of the world records for the 400 metres and 800 metres, is reported to be among the German sportsmen in the "Stegfried-Line."

Many well-known German sportsmen took part in the Polish campaign and the amateur lightweight boxing champion, R. Vogt, who reached the final in the last Olympic Games, received the Iron Cross.

Among those who were killed were the middle-distance runners, Koppeke and Becht, the ski champion Haebberger, and the horseman, Nelke.

The weight-lifter, N. Woelke, who won the Olympic championship at Berlin in 1936, also took part in the campaign.

REGIONAL GROUPS FOR COUNTY CRICKET

WEEK-END CRICKET, with the first-class and minor counties combined into four regional groups—similar to the present Football League system—is suggested for next summer.

Play would take place on Saturdays and Mondays only.

Dividing the thirty-four counties into North, Midlands, South and West would bring about the following groupings:—

North: Yorkshire, Lancashire, Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Cheshire, Durham, Staffordshire, Northumberland. Midlands: Warwickshire, Worcestershire, Northamptonshire, Oxfordshire, Bedfordshire, Lincolnshire, Norfolk, Cambridgeshire, Suffolk. South: Middlesex, Surrey, Essex, Kent, Sussex, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire. West: Gloucestershire, Somerset, Glamorgan, Hampshire, Wiltshire, Dorset, Cornwall, Devon.

High Blood Pressure Kills Men & Women

Many of the women who are seen suffering from high blood pressure, which is a mysterious disease that starts about the time of change of life and is the real cause of much heart trouble and later on of heart failure. Common symptoms of high blood pressure are: Nervousness, headache, dizziness, loss of memory and energy, easily excited, fear and worry, if you suffer any of these symptoms, don't delay treatment. A single day's treatment with the drug, Dose, takes a heavy load off the heart, and makes you feel years younger in a few days. Get Dose from your chemist today. It is guaranteed to make you feel fit and strong or money back.

CLOSE GAMES IN COUNTRY CLUB COMPETITIONS

Mrs. Kew Again Wins Ladies' Championship

(By "Birdie")

A RECENTLY REPORTED DISCUSSION among several great American golfers at the White Sulphur Springs C.C. following the \$10,000 Miami Open tournament was about long drives. Gene Sarazen opined that Sam Snead, who won the Miami competition and thereby gained a quarter of the total prize money, was the longest driver, for consistent long distance, that golf has ever had. The statement aroused considerable differences of opinion.

Snead, incidentally, edged out Harold McSpaden, who won the Manila Open title this year, by the narrow margin of two strokes—nine under par—the score being 271 to 273. McSpaden was the holder, and was strongly favoured to win again, and though he rallied on the last round, Snead came home with a six-under-par 64, tied the course record, and nosed home by two strokes.

Another great incident in this tournament was the winning of the Harry Vardon Trophy by Byron Nelson. He beat Henry Picard by 473 points to 461 for the trophy, emblematic of the year's professional supremacy. Nelson finished fifth in the Miami Open with 278, while Picard was 14th with 282.

Picard, however, had the honour to finish top of the year's list of greatest money winners, for though he only won \$100, his total earnings for the year were \$10,303 against Snead's \$9,712 (including the \$2,500 won at this tournament). Ralph Guldahl, whose 281 earned him \$100 here, was third on the list with \$9,477, and Nelson, taking \$600 from the Miami Open, was fourth with \$9,444.

HOWEVER, returning to the long drives, Craig Wood started the hubbub when he claimed that Jimmy Thomson would outthrust Snead on each and every occasion. Tommy Armour voted for neither, and produced his own candidate, former assistant of his named Clarence Gamber, who, said Armour, once took a 12-ounce club and clouted a ball for 324 yards.

Henry Picard championed Jesse Gullford, a former national amateur champion, whose record drive was claimed to be 347 yards in 1913. But Craig Wood out-bid them all when he pointed out that Thomson had once knocked a ball 20 yards over a green on a 385-yard hole!

The argument ended here when someone pointed out that Thomson had cut across a dog-leg to do that drive, and it only measured 275 yards as a crow flew!

THE Golfer's Handbook, however, contains what it terms "the longest recorded and fully authenticated drive" ever accomplished—one of 445 yards (four-four-five, take my word for it) by E. C. Bliss at Herne Bay during August, 1913. The distance and drop in level were measured by a Government Surveyor, and the latter figure was 87 feet.

Craig Wood, the modest supporter of Thomson, forgot his own performance when playing against Denamore Shute in the Open Championship at St. Andrews in June 1933. He drove down the fifth fairway, measuring 530 yards, and landed in a bunker which was 97 yards short of the green. His effort, therefore, was approximately 430 yards! There was a considerable following wind, the weather was bright and sunny, and the ground was dry.

The Handbook refers to the section dealing with long drives there are reported instances of Mr. T. H. V. Haydon, Royal Wimbledon, on the East Devon Course in September 1924 hitting driven to the edge of the 19th, which measured 465 yards downhill, and just short of the 17th, which was 460 yards down hill.

It does not say what the drop downhill was but Bliss' effort was over a drop of 37 feet.

HARD and fast courses being needed for these amazing drives, I

should imagine some new world records would be established if some of these prodigious hitters were to play on the Country Club course, as it is at the moment. Even the weakest out there are now beginning to puff out their chests and imagine they are really long drivers.

Some quite excellent golf is being played there at the moment, however, and the competitions are producing some very close matches. The second round of the Club Championship was played on Sunday last, and the results were: H. Kew beat F. E. A. Remedios on the 19th.

A. A. Lopes beat P. K. C. Tjan on the last green.

E. Sadick beat T. X. C. Lee 4 and 3.

C. H. T. Suen beat A. W. Ramsey on the last green.

Kew turned four up on Remedios, having completed his first nine in 38 (two over par). Kew maintained his lead over the 10th, but it was reduced to three at the 13th tee. The great game went to the 19th, and on the green the match was won when Remedios stopped two inches short of the cup after a four-foot putt—Kew having just sunk his of just slightly longer length.

Lopes beat Tjan on the last putt, after a ding-dong game, but the surprise of the day was the performance of Suen in accounting for Ramsey. All square on the 17th, Ramsey did a par-four on the last-hole, but Suen, from just over the edge of the green sank his shot with his putter for a birdie three!

THE semi-finals of the men's four-somes resulted as follows:

F. E. A. Remedios and W. C. Hung beat E. J. M. Churn and A. T. Lee 6 and 4.

P. K. C. Tjan and T. X. C. Lee beat A. J. Kew and C. H. Suen 4 and 3.

MRS. A. J. Kew once again is the winner of the Ladies' Championship. On Sunday she beat her sister, Miss L. G. Ablong, 1 up over 36 holes. The champion gained her slender lead on the first 18 holes, and beat off gallant opposition over the last 18. Stroke score of the match was not, unfortunately, kept.

J. T. SMITH winds up a remarkable season at the Royal Hongkong Golf Club with his victory over W. Mayhew in the Captain's Cup final. Together with this trophy he has the Colony Championship, the R.H.K.G.C. Championship, and the Junior Clark Cup victories to his credit. Something to be proud of.

The usual dinner which follows the annual President's Cup match at the Country Club will be held the coming Friday. There is a bit of a deadlock at the moment—half of the members wanting to eat in Kowloon and the other half in Hongkong. If there seems no solution, I would suggest that as the losers are to pay for the dinner they might be allowed to choose where it is to be had.

In the results of the match the other day I omitted the names of Mr. and Miss Oei, who played in the singles but not the four-somes. They elected to be styled "camp followers."

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CALL FOR REVOLUTION

FORGE A NEW ORDER, SAYS H. G. WELLS

"FORGE a New World Order by a World Revolution—or perish amidst the spreading chaos."

That is Mr. H. G. Wells' message to the peoples in his book, "The New World Order," published by Secker and Warburg (6s.).

Five times in this exposition of Wells' Peace Aims he drives home that thrust—unless we all face up to, and conquer, the task of world remodelling, we shall face extinction.

If we win then there will stand for the future a world of free men and unassailable happiness. But the task must be tackled immediately.

Ton-Point Declaration

Already Mr. Wells has presented to the world a draft of his "Declaration of the Rights of Man" (it appeared in the News Chronicle on October 29). Around that 10-point declaration is Wells' conception of his New World Order formed.

He has no "War Aims," for the Allies, only "Peace Aims," which do not stop at the mere making of peace, but jump off from that attainment to inflame the whole globe in the effort to realise his great plan.

His Definition

"This new and complete Revolution can be defined in a very few words," he writes. "It is:

(a) Outright world-socialism, scientifically planned and directed, plus

(b) A sustained insistence upon law, law based on a fuller, more jealously conceived statement of the personal Rights of Man, plus

(c) The complete freedom of speech, criticism and publication and a sedulous expansion of the educational organisation to meet the ever-growing demands of the new order. Putting it at its simplest, it is the triangle of Socialism, Law and Knowledge—which frames the Revolution which may yet save the world."

No More Versailles

To this end, Wells advocated a great world debate which must go on now, debate of all the people. He thinks that it is incredibly foolish to talk of ending the war and then having a World Conference to inaugurate a new age.

"So soon as the fighting stops the real world conference, the live discussion, will stop too. The diplomats and politicians will assemble with an air of profound competence and close the doors upon the outer world and resume—Versailles."

Abolition of Distance

The present war does not touch upon the essential problem (the abolition of distance), thinks Mr. Wells.

"It may indeed destroy everything and still settle nothing. If one could wipe out all the issues of the present conflict we should still be confronted with the essential riddle, which is the abolition of the boundaries of most existing sovereign States and their merger in some larger Pax. . . . Treaties and mutual guarantees are not enough."

To achieve his ideal state of world collectivism after the peoples have agreed to include the problem, he suggests a confession of universal wrong-thinking and wrong-doing.

A revolution—an effort at social and political readjustment—is bound to come in Germany, Britain, universally, a likely offshoot of the "expanding diminutions and crescendos of the war."

It is on the tide of the revolution that Mr. Wells expects victory for his New World Order to travel.

'I Am Human Being,' Says Judge

A 31-year-old woman accused of bigamy, at Cardiff Assizes, was told by Mr. Justice Hawke:

"I suppose I ought not to say that a man and woman, not married, ought to go on living together, but I am a human being and I think it is the best thing for you."

The woman, Doris Smith, had admitted bigamously marrying Thomas Smith, aged 45, a fireman.

Both were sentenced to two days' imprisonment.

FILM STAR ARRIVES



MISS CHEN YUN SONG, Queen of the Chinese film stars, snapped as she arrived in Hongkong. Miss Chen is expected to make two films while she is in the Colony.

Details of Famous Exploit

THE British submarines Salmon and Ursula, whose exploits thrilled the country a few days ago, were in the news again recently.

Decorations and promotions for the commander of the Salmon and members of his crew were announced by the Admiralty. Earlier in the day the Ursula received an ovation when she returned to her base.

Lieutenant-Commander Edward Oscar Blekford, of the Salmon, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order. He has also been promoted to the rank of commander.

The third Naval D.S.O. of the war, Commander Blekford is a 30-year-old bachelor, whose home is at Warrington, near Southampton.

The Admiralty announcement states: "Lieut-Commander Blekford was in command of his Majesty's submarine Salmon during a brilliant war patrol in which she succeeded in totally destroying an enemy submarine and torpedoing at least one enemy cruiser."

Other awards to officers and men of the Salmon are:

Distinguished Service Cross

Lieut. Maurice Fairfax Wychem-Martin, First Lieutenant and Torpedo Officer.

Lieut. Robin Hugh Maylis Hancock.

Mr. Owen Felton Lancaster, Warrant Engineer.

Distinguished Service Medal

Petty-Officer William George Taylor, Submarine Coxswain.

Petty-Officer Thomas Henry Worsfold, Torpedo Gunner's Mate.

Engine-room Artificer Norman James Hill.

Petty-Officer Telegraphist Kenneth Barron.

Chief Electrical Artificer William Arthur Lushmore.

Leading Signaller Edward Whitaker.

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'Daughter Is My Best Production'—John Barrymore

JOHN BARRYMORE, starring in a stage play in Chicago called "My Dear Children," has found a rival in the theatre next door—his 15-year-old daughter, Diana, by a previous marriage.

Barrymore calls her "Duke," "Slugs," or "Gus." He has hardly seen her for the past four years, but now she is starring in "Outward Bound" and her name is sparkling next door to her father's in lights.

"She's absolutely the most delightful person I have ever met," says Barrymore. "I worked like hell on 'Hamlet' and 'Richard the Third,' but she is the best thing I have ever produced."

"She told me she wanted to go on the stage," he said. "Go ahead, child. The family's been on the stage for years. Now I have opposition right on my own doorstep."

Diana declared that she intended to change her matinee "so that we can see each other act."

"Perhaps after we do we may not be on speaking terms," retorted Barrymore.

Palestine Awards

The Military Cross has been awarded to Second-Lieutenant Vernon Cecil Warren Sudbury, 1st Battalion the Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment), for "great dash and initiative in leading his platoon" near Beit Hanna, Palestine, on August 18.

Private Thomas Alfred Smith, The Queen's Royal Regiment (West Surrey), has been awarded the Military Medal for gallant and distinguished services in Palestine.

Royal Air Force awards for gallant and distinguished services in Palestine are:

Distinguished Flying Cross—Flight-Lieut. Alfred Llewellyn Bocking, Flying Officer Roy Broad Langley, Pilot Officer Mervyn Warren Ramsey.

Distinguished Flying Medal—Sergeant Joseph Kavanagh, Leading Aircraftman Robert Alexander Haxton, Aircraftman 1st Class Reginald Arthur Conway.

Swastika Is Death Symbol

Germany is not the only country which has the swastika (or Hakenkreuz) as a national emblem.

It appears as an identification mark on the planes of three nations—Germany, Finland and Latvia—though with certain distinctions.

The German Hakenkreuz, which was adopted as a national and anti-Semitic symbol by the Nazi Party in its early days, is black within a white circle.

The Finnish swastika, which was adopted as a national emblem by the Finnish Government in 1918, is white within a black circle.

The Latvian swastika, which was adopted as a national emblem by the Latvian Government in 1918, is white within a black circle.

The swastika is the "sinister" or left-handed design, and it stands on the point of one of its arms.

Blue And Red

Finland's aircraft marking is officially described as "a white disc, charged with the blue swastika-shaped cross."

Latvia's mark is "on a white disc, a red 'fylot' or swastika." As with Finland, the cross stands squarely on its base.

These marks appear on the fuselages of planes; the German swastika is painted on the tail.

Since the Nazis adopted the swastika as their particular emblem, much has been written about its origin and mystic significance.

Ancient Indian Name

It is one of the oldest known amuletic signs, and is generally believed to have been invented by the primitive Aryans—hence its adoption by the Nazis.

Swastika is the ancient Indian name which, according to philologists means "fortunate" or "lucky."

Some of the early Christian mystics saw in the two lines at right angles a symbol of Christ as a corner-stone, and architects and designers of the Middle Ages used the sign, freely in their beliefs and patterns.

Path Of The Sun

In its right-hand or "dexter" form the swastika was supposed to symbolize the path of the sun from east to west, and in its left-hand or "sinister" form as the Germans use it, the path of the sun at night from west to east.

In the first form it symbolized the day, light, glory, the hosts of Heaven and blessing; in the latter night, darkness, death and destruction—a distinction which no doubt Hitler fully appreciates.

In Ancient Synagogue

Some scholars deny that the swastika is a specifically Aryan symbol.

A German encyclopedia published shortly before Hitler came into power stated categorically that the Australian Aborigines were almost the only race among whom the swastika had not been found. Scorn was cast upon its use by anti-Semitic parties.

Some time ago Belgian archaeologists found the sign among the

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By Lichty



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Why the Reds are Falling Fast

Ogpu Olga weeps at wicked Finn spies

By JONAH BARRINGTON
(Listening to the radio war)

Why isn't the Red Army mopping up Finland?

"SPIES!" hisses OGPU Olga of Moscow—"We have unearthed a ghastly net of spies!"

Where are the villains working?

"IN TERIJOKI," hisses OGPU Olga of Moscow—"in the Finnish town now glorified as the seat of the People's Democratic Government."

Who is behind this dirty double dealing?

"The man entrusted with the holy task of building the new Socialist Finland," sobs Olga. "He has betrayed the workers."

And the result?

"The progress of our glorious Red Army has been hindered by secret military information sent to those dogs of humanity that profess to represent the Finnish people."

What now, Olga?

So now you know. Your spindleg-legged, short-sighted, shiny-nosed Mentor from Moscow (known to friends as the "Microphone Magpie") has confessed all. The Red Army is held up—not because it is inefficient, badly led, badly provisioned, not because the Finns are putting up the fight of their lives—but because some anonymous Rasputin is selling secrets to the enemy. Well, well . . .

And what now, Olga?

"Now—now the workers are powerful! This traitor who hinders the liberation of the Finnish people must cease to exist!"

"The OGPU will strike at once—and it will strike HARD!" (Boyl Put that microphone out of striking distance before OGPU Olga forgets her-



OGPU OLGA
(alias Microphone Magpie)

Haw - Haw Always Says 'Haw - Haw'

LORD HAW-HAW OF ZEESEN.

He has at last associated himself with the name of a best-loved upon him on September 18, 1939.

Speaking in the 10.30, p.m. bulletin, he said: "Great Britain is still firm in the grip of the old school system. Whenever you meet a friend in England you are always told what public school he attended."

"When I am asked this question myself," continued Zeesen's monocular announcer, "I always reply: 'Haw-haw! I was at Borsal.'"



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ENTERTAINMENT PAGE

"Gone With The Wind"

RECENTLY the cinema event for which America has waited for three years took place in Atlantic, Ga.—the premiere of the Technicolour film "Gone With The Wind."

Governor Earith D. Rivers proclaimed a Statewide holiday and 300,000 film fans lined up for seven miles to watch the procession of motor-cars which brought Vivien Leigh, Clark Gable, his wife Carole Lombard, Producer David O. Selznick, Laurence Olivier and others from the air port.

The night before the premiere of the film a costume ball was held. At the premiere, hundreds of delighted Georgians clapped, cheered, whistled and wept at the historical sequences.

New York Debut. The film was also shown at New York's Astor and Capitol Theatres and was hailed unanimously by all as an excellent film. Olivia de Havilland, James Stewart, Will Hays, David Selznick, Mr. and Mrs. John Jacob Astor, the Vanderbilt clan, Doris Duke, Cromwell and nearly every millionaire and his wife in New York were present at the screening.

It took three years to make this film from a novel which Margaret Mitchell took seven years to write. Producer Selznick's first trouble was to reduce the 1,037-page novel to a workable Hollywood script. Sidney Howard, one of the ablest script writers, arrived in Hollywood in the spring of 1937. Throughout that summer, together with Selznick and George Cukor, he worked on the first script. When finished it was found to be too long so they made another script. In 1938, many famous writers were all working on the script.

Search for Star. Production finally started but re-schedule slowly. For two years Selznick had nobody to play the part of Scarlett O'Hara so plots were taken and scouts despatched throughout America. During the filming of one of the first scenes—that of the burning of Atlanta—Myron Selznick took Vivien Leigh with him on the set and invited his brother "to meet Scarlett O'Hara."

When the news came out that she had been given the part, a few protests were heard. On the whole, however, the Southerners were pleased to hear that an English girl and not a Yankee had been chosen for the part.

American cinema fans unanimously voted that Clark Gable must play Rhett Butler.

Selznick also agreed with them that he should cast Olivia de Havilland as Melanie Hamilton, Leslie Howard as Ashley Wilkes and Laura Hope Crews as Aunt Pittypat.

Then Selznick cast Thomas Mitchell as Gerald O'Hara and Hattie McDaniel as Mammy. Four Hour Show. In January 1939, the filming of "Gone with the Wind" commenced in earnest and six months later the final scenes were taken. The cutting of the film then began. Over 225,000 feet of film had to be cut and spliced into a moving picture short enough to exhibit. After working day and night, Selznick and his staff finally produced the finished film which runs for just under four hours.

The picture has to make about \$5,000,000 before it begins to earn any profits at all. Dow Jones receipts of this film might bring shareholders in Loew's Incorporated upwards of \$1 per share.



ELISABETH Bergner (above) who has not made a film for a year or so, is preparing to get back to the studio. She has chosen a light comedy, called "King on Her Highness," which has a very charming story. More than that cannot be said at present since she is ill with throat trouble at her home in Surrey. Her husband, Dr. Paul Canner, who will direct the film as usual, is ill with laryngitis too.



VIVIEN Leigh, who appears as Scarlett O'Hara in "Gone With the Wind," shown as she arrived for the Atlanta premiere of the film. She was introduced to audiences over a nation-wide hook-up by Mayor Hartsfield of Atlanta.

AT THE CINEMAS

Queen's and Alhambra: "Wizard of Oz" (Judy Garland, Jack Haley, Bert Lahr). Oriental: "Adventures of Robin Hood" (Errol Flynn, Olivia de Havilland). Majestic: "Society Lawyer" (Walter Pidgeon, Virginia Bruce). King's: "Young Mr. Lincoln" (Henry Fonda).

Best Films Of 1939

ACCORDING to the "Sunday Times" here are the ten best films of 1939:—

"Stagecoach" (American): Director, John Ford. Leading players, Claire Trevor, John Wayne.

"La Femme Du Boulanger" (French): Director, Marcel Pagnol. Leading players, Raimu, Genette Leclerc.

"Professor Mamlock" (Russian): Directors, Adolf Reinick and Herbert Rappaport. Leading player, S. Mikhlin.

"Hostages" (French): Director, Raymond Bernard. Leading players, Saturnin Fabre, Charpin, Larquey.

"Le Gen Du Voyage" (French): Director, Jacques Feyder. Leading players, Françoise Rosay, Pierre Fresnay.

"Wuthering Heights" (American): Director, William Wyler. Leading players, Laurence Olivier, Merle Oberon.

"On the Night of the Fire" (British): Directors, Brian Desmond Hurst. Leading players, Ralph Richardson, Diana Wynyard.

"The Marx Brothers at the Circus" (American): Director, Edward Buzzell. Leading players, the Marx Brothers.

"La Belle Humaine" (French): Director, Jean Renoir. Leading players, Jean Gabin, Simone Simon.

The "Sunday Times" critic adds:—"Annie Lilva's 'Confessions of a Nazi Spy' nearly went into the list. So did Anthony Asquith's 'French Without Tears', Frank Capra's 'Mr. Smith Goes to Washington', Marcel Carne's 'Quel des Brumes' and 'Hotel du Nord' and the first half of Leo McCarey's 'Love Affair'."

Chaplin Film. On the other hand, most think that 1939 was a lean film year—especially in regard to farce films. There is still nothing from Chaplin, though at last "The Dictator" is in production; no successors to Harold Lloyd or Laurel and Hardy except from Fernandel which have just about wiped out the credit he laid up with "Virtuous Isidore." By way of comparison we find that witty British title "A Gai Must Live" with dialogue by Frank Launder in the best Hollywood manner and a patchily brilliant production from the Marx Brothers.—Our Own Correspondent.

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Film Of Prehistoric Tribes

WORD comes from Hollywood that David W. Griffith and Hal Roach are producing a picture in which they are looking backward, past the birth of the cinema at which they officiated, to 1,000,000 years B.C.

Both are reported to have admitted that "it is a screwy idea," but, nevertheless, it sounds a good one.

Dawn Age

They are collaborating on a screen version of the dawn age, titled "1,000,000 B.C." This effort of theirs is, in effect, a silent picture. It opens in the present era, on a conversation between a scientist and some young people and fades back a million years, with the scientist's voice continuing as a commentary. Each sequence thereafter begins with a cloud "shot," according to Mr. Griffith's plan, and then the camera comes down to the action.

The story deals with two prehistoric tribes—the Rock people, a rugged race, and the Shell tribe, a gentler and more kindly group. The civilizing of the former by the latter by means of the charm of Carole Landis, the leading lady, who softens the savage heart of Victor Mature, the leading man, forms the theme of the picture.

No English is spoken by the prehistoric characters, which will mean, as Roach points out, that the foreign market can be completely exploited by United Artists, the distributing company, simply by changing the commentary. The incomprehensible language which the ancients use presented something of a problem.

Dialogue Trouble

Miss Florence McEnany of the studio research department was assigned to prepare prehistoric dialogue. She obtained glossaries of four extinct American Indian tongues—the Ojibwa, the Biloxi, the Natick and the Bontock-Igorot. From these she compiled two languages, one for each tribe. But (and a shocking commentary it is on the propensities of the civilized ear) when spoken, these unsullied primitive polyglots suggested such double-entendres that they had to be scrapped. The dialogue is now more McEnany than anything else.

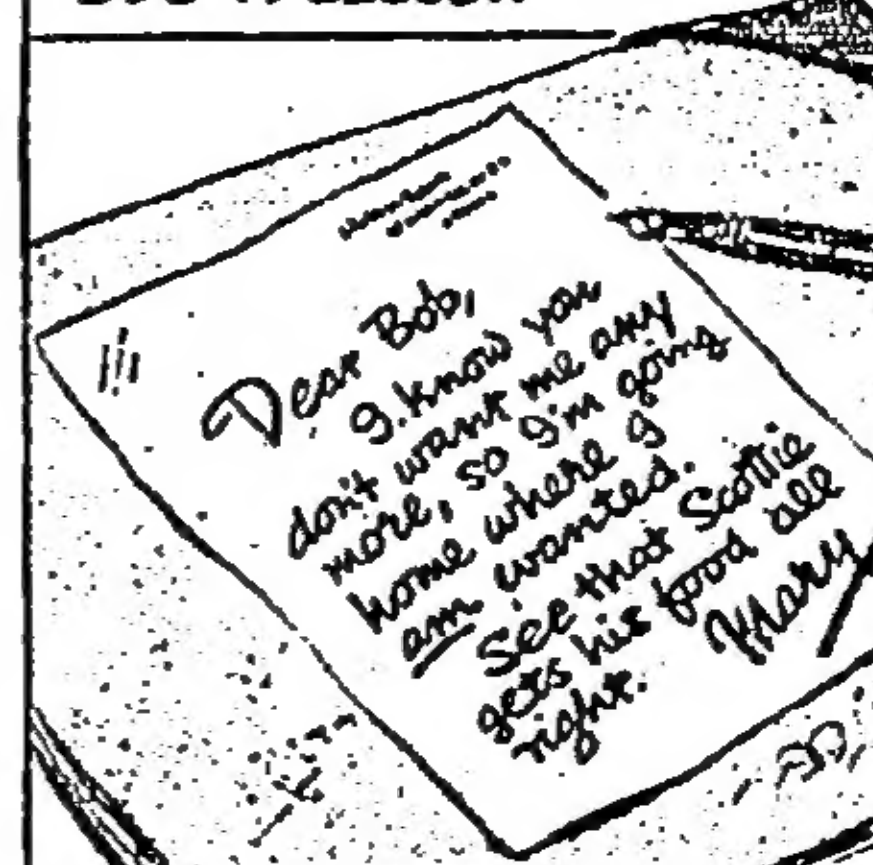
At its inception, "1,000,000 B.C." was meant to adhere to recognized scientific theory, but when Roach and Griffith realized that their players would have to appear as nature, with only a mulling of body hair to screen them from the Hays office, they decided to endow their characters with a knowledge of the art of hide-tanning. Having gone so far, they remembered that "after all, the screen is meant for entertainment," and now their scenario contains specimens of the fauna of almost every geologic age.

This picture, which is under contract with the King's Theatre, will be shown here as early as possible.

LONELY WIFE—even on SATURDAY AFTERNOONS



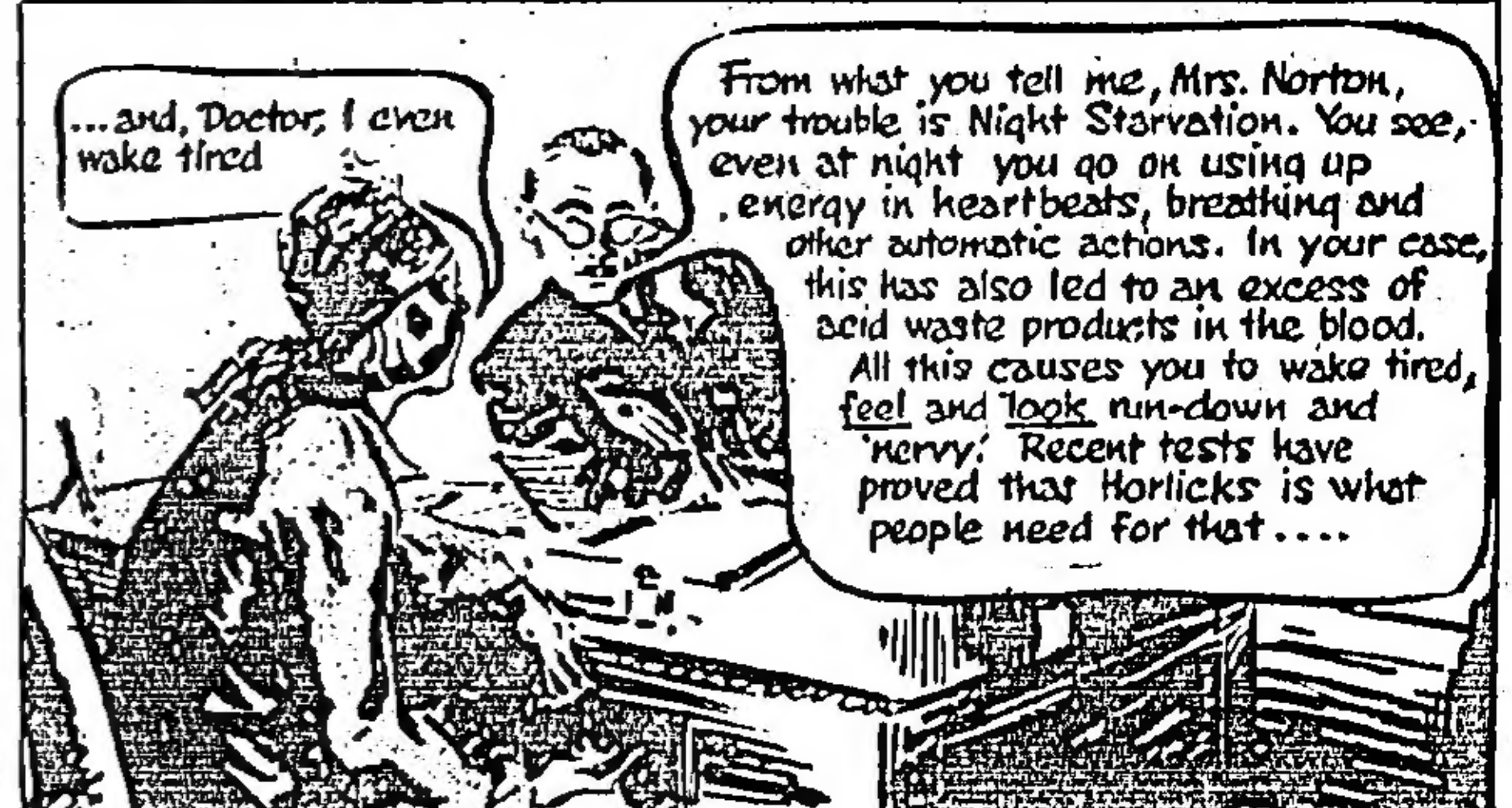
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THE pilot of the leading plane sat at his controls. There would be no excitement for a long while yet, but he was strung up and his eyes were fixed grimly ahead.

In the forward turret sat the bow gunner, and, in the tail, another gunner sat, a solitary sentinel protecting the plane from attack in the rear.

As the plane zoomed onward, the navigator sat busily plotting the course while the wireless operator, ears alert, kept vigil.

"Try and get Mr. Middleton," chaffed the gunner, and "Sparks" grinned. He was seeking less friendly sounds than that!

"Nothing from our side, of course, sir. Wireless silence was ordered. There's a spot of activity from German station A22, but it's all in code."

"H'm... we'll be there in an hour at our present speed," remarked the pilot. "Gunner, back in the tail in half an hour! Meanwhile, you can let up!"

Below the sea lay calm and still; nothing broke the monotony of its surface. Steadily the plane followed its course. Suddenly a ship was seen below.

"Destroyer ahead, sir," reported the bomb-aimer. "Ours or theirs?" snapped back the pilot.

THROUGH the window the pilot and the observer gazed down at the destroyer. Sailors were crowding round the signal light.

"They're sending a message," said the pilot. "Get it." Swiftly the bomb-aimer's pencil moved across his pad. As he wrote, he smiled.

"There you are, sir," he said, and showed the pilot the pad. On it were the words "Good luck!"

It was getting near zero hour. Intently the pilot handled his controls, with the navigator close at his elbow.

Action was near and there was an air of tense expectancy in the plane. The bomb-aimer moved into position and the wireless operator went forward. There was no need for wireless now... his job was at a gun-turret.

"Alter course to 110 degrees," called the navigator. "Okay," called back the pilot. "I'm going down to a hundred feet for the run into the coast!"

Down the plane swooped, like some giant hawk sighting its prey. Below lay the coastline,

coming closer and closer as the speed of the plane increased. The pilot looked below. There was a sparkle in his eye, a look of anticipation that boded ill for the Nazis!

"Hullo, bit of excitement down there," and he jerked his head downwards. The R.A.F. Armada flushed onwards.

"Yes," replied the navigating officer. "Ship's crew's bathing!" The pilot's lips creased in a smile. "They can't have expected us!"

Suddenly, in a voice vibrant with excitement, the pilot yelled: "There she is!"

FAR below lay the Kiel Canal, the object of their trip. It lay, a tempting target with ships resting, unsuspecting the hell that was about to be let loose. "Signal—line astern" came a voice.

From the plane the Vercy pistol spoke and the light from the pistol flashed through the air.

"Right, here we go," called the pilot. His hand flicked down the switches, while the bomb-aimer waited, taut and alert. Down scudded the plane.

"Right," snapped the bomb-aimer. "Steady."

Again the plane dipped, roaring through the sky. The bomb-aimer's hand hovered over a switch. . . . And down from the plane, straight as a die, a grim ambassador of death, fell the first bomb.

It hit the sea with thunderous force, exploding near the battleship and swirling the ocean into an angry crescendo of fury.

The dull roar of the explosion resounded through the plane as it swooped upwards on its non-stop flight. Another bomb fell, still closer this time, and again a giant swirl of water was flung up like a ferocious fountain.

Across the decks of the battleship rushed frantic sailors as death rained so suddenly from the skies. Another bomb left the hatch.

Down with unerring accuracy, it hit the battleship and a sudden roar told that the bomb had found its mark.

"We've hit him," snapped the pilot suddenly, and the bomb-aimer gave the "Thumbs Up" signal. Below, the grey ocean tossed amid the smoke and debris around the ship.

Suddenly there came the swift venomous snarl of machine-gun fire, cracking across the sky.

"Hey, step on it," rapped out the navigating officer. "You've got a Messerschmitt on your tail!"

Cutting through the sky came a Nazi plane, hurtling towards the British invader, prepared for a death duel, eager to take toll of the plane that had smashed the Nazi battleship.

An answering hail of machine-gun fire burst from the back of the British plane.

The sky was alight with the flash of machine-gun fire. The pilot and navigating officer were straining every fibre of their bodies, every nerve to outwit the enemy.



the skies the planes returned in quiet triumph.

DOWN on to the landing field the planes came, one by one to bump with slowing propellers over the rough turf and finally to come to rest.

One by one hatches in their stomachs opened and legs appeared, then ungainly figures in zip-fastener suits with all the bulk and paraphernalia of parachutes and wireless cords.

A moment of inert relaxation and then the exhausted stripping off of unwieldiness.

A stroke of the hair. A silent whistle of relief. A smile. A cigarette. A rather shamefaced handshake.

A tired flip of the finger to a friend. A sudden violent embarrassment at the discovery of cameramen, photographers, all set for hero-worship, and a quick bolt for the privacy of the mess.

That is how the real heroes of the Kiel Raid came home.

AS though he had all the time in the world to spare, a shabby individual strolled along a dock-side and paused at a sailor's elbow. "Har ni en taustigle!" he muttered.

"What's that?" growled the sailor.

"A match," urged the shabby stranger. He leaned close to the sailor, and, cupping his hand to guard the flickering flame, he muttered: "Activity at Pirate Squadron A22."

The sailor nodded briefly, and the stranger shuffled into the night.

Throwing his cigarette stub away, the sailor boarded his ship and made his way to the wireless operator's cabin. "Activity at Pirate Squadron A22. Code Group X74479." The operator nodded, scribbled on his pad and got to work.

Britain's under-cover men had made the first move in thwarting a threatened Nazi raid.

Meanwhile, unconscious that their plans were already suspected, a score of Nazi pilots stood, erect and grim, as their commanding officer harangued them in swift, harsh tones.

That night was to see an attack on the accursed shores of Britain, yet no enthusiasm for the adven-

ture ahead could be seen in those sullen faces.

The iron heel of discipline held them rigid as their Commander rapped out his final instructions. As the officer finished his trade the pilots clicked heels—"Heil, Hitler!" they snapped, turning to the portrait of the Fuehrer that brooded from the wall. Then they filed out to the waiting planes.

MEANWHILE, in Britain, activity was rife. Into the telephone the Chief of Air Staff jerked his orders: "I've just received information that an enemy attack is expected to-night. Raise balloon barrage."

Hidden somewhere in Britain is an organisation known as Fighter Command, whence the entire defence of the British Isles against air attack is directed. Here is a miracle of organisation. Telephoneists receive messages and reports from every post in the country.

On a huge table is a map of the Eastern half of Britain, the North Sea and the German coast, and the map is divided into three sections, Southern Group, Midland Group, and Northern Group. It is the nerve centre of Britain's defence system and that night it was a hive of activity.

"To-night's the night," the brief message was passed from lip to lip and mouths tightened grimly and eyes sparkled with eager anticipation.

Huddled in a bush by the side of a wood sat three civilian observers.

"To think that for years I've wanted a dark room for developing, and now that every room in the house is dark, I'm stuck out here in the bushes listening to the birds!" grumbled one with a good-humoured snort.

"Listening for them!" retorted his colleague. Suddenly the phone buzzed. "Hullo, yes, sir?"

A pause, then to his friends, "They expect 'em to-night!"

Northern Group, Midland Group, Southern Group... all were ready to give the invaders a warm welcome. And, hidden in the darkness, sat British pilot waiting for the word to take off.

Through the night zoomed the Nazi planes, and in the interior of the Fighter Command alert eyes and ears were awaiting their coming.

Suddenly the air became electric. The Air Officer Commander-in-Chief urgently summoned the Southern Group. "Raid 1 and 2 are entering your area. Carry on and deal with them."

"Yes, sir," replied the Group Controller. He turned to another phone. "Braxted?"

Wing Commander Ralph Richardson replied. He listened intently. "O.K." Then gave his orders. "A Flight 299." It was zero hour.

WITH the enthusiasm of small boys let out of school earlier than they expected, the pilots waiting near their Spitfires leapt into action.

Propellers started to turn. Bobby fastened his parachute to his back, adjusted his goggles, and half-grinned at the other pilots who were to share the danger ahead.

Then he hopped nimbly into the cockpit of his plane, waved cheerily to the boys of the ground staff, and scudded off into the darkness.

"Flight A air-borne," reported the telephone operator to Richardson. "O.K." replied Ralph. "Put B. Flight at readiness."

High in the heavens the Spitfires were flashing towards a death duel. "Cornflower Red calling station control," snapped Bobby into his radio.

"Cornflower Red 80 degrees—2,000 feet a minute—speed 180..." replied Richardson.

Again Bobby spoke into his microphone, this time to the pilot in the plane next to him. "O.K. Ted?"

"Right with you, Bob!" replied Ted, chewing more fiercely at his gum.

O.K. Dopey?" called Bob. The pilot in the third Spitfire sat, gazing into space, his face devoid of all emotion. Those that didn't know Dopey for a sky daredevil with a nerve of iron might have thought that he was falling asleep at his controls. "Hey, Dopey are you O.K.?"

Dopey jerked to sudden realisation. "What? Good Lord, yes... O.K.... all serene!"

Bobby grinned. He knew his Dopey.

"O.K. Gang—let's go!" yelled Bobby with a whoop of pure excitement.

Nearer came the Nazi bombers. Down below in Fighter Command every movement of the enemy was being noted on the giant action map. At the Fighter Station Richardson steadily stuck at his radio navigating the air-knights above.

"Five bandits six miles south-west," he rapped out to Bobby way up in the skies. The Spitfires circled, never losing speed. "Should be any minute now," muttered Richardson. Bobby's jaw tightened.

Suddenly, Bobby's jaw tightened. "Here they are, boys. No. 1 Attack... Go!"

TO-MORROW THE BATTLE

GAS FUEL FOR U-BOATS

Nazi Shortage Of Petroleum

GERMANY is now building a new type of U-boat which will use oxygen and hydrogen as fuel.

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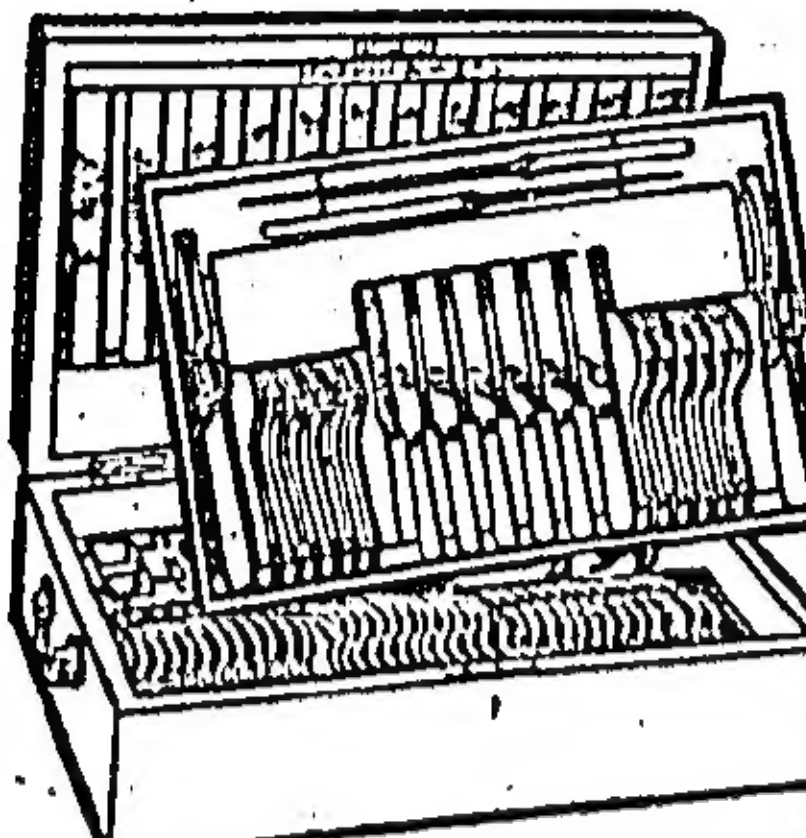
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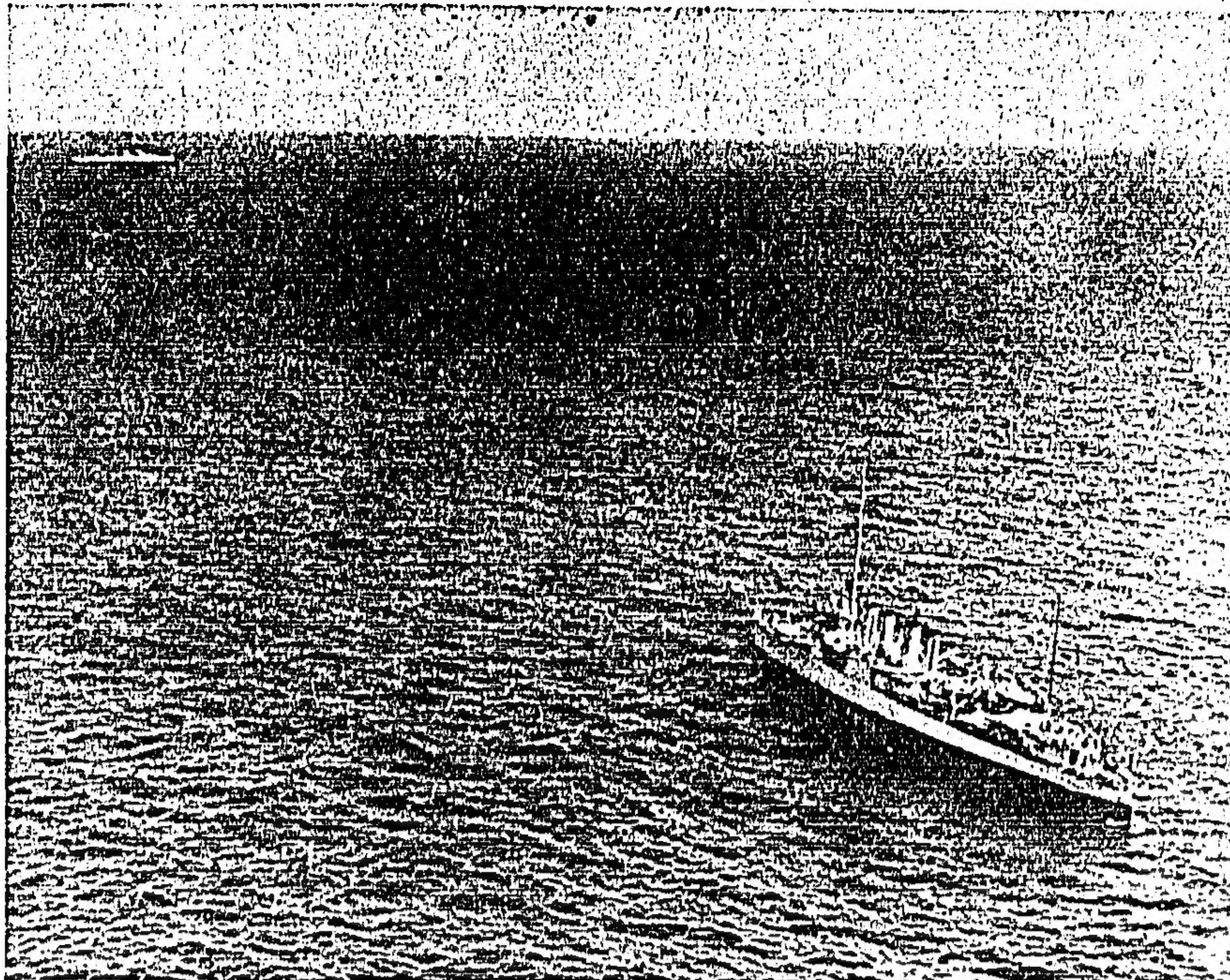
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THIS AIR PHOTO. SHOWS British and American Warships, one inside and the other just outside American territorial waters. In the foreground is the U.S.S. Philip, on neutrality patrol, while in the background is the British Warship which chased the Nazi freighter Arauca into a Florida port.—Domei.

Son Returns After 15 Years

LONDON.—Mrs. W. Gifford, of Mount Pleasant, Romsey, Hampshire, opened her door to a Canadian soldier. "Well, don't you know me?" he said. It took Mrs. Gifford a few seconds to recognise her son. They had not met for 15 years. The soldier Sapper William Gifford, of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, has an 18-year-old son in the Canadian Air Force.

Stalin Releases Polish Royalty: Italy's Request

WARSAW.—Through intervention of King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Elena of Italy, Prince Janusz Radziwill and 21 other members of the Radziwill family have been released by Soviet Russia, and allowed to return to the Polish capital.

The Italian royal family is distantly related to the Radziwills. When the war broke out, Prince Radziwill was at his estate at Olyka in Wolynia which he converted into

a hospital and refugee home. Among others, former President Moscicki of Poland sought refuge there.

Prince Radziwill and his family were arrested by the Russians when they seized Eastern Poland and, for a time, rumours circulated that he had been shot.

Most of the women and children were taken to Shepetovka. Among them were a daughter of Prince Radziwill, Christine Potocki, with her children. Her husband, Count Joseph Potocki, was on the Polish Embassy staff in London for three years.

Prince Radziwill himself was taken to Moscow and other male members of the family were held in other parts of the Soviet Union. Women members of the family had to live eight in a room, but on their return to Warsaw, they spoke without bitterness of their experiences.

The venerable Princess, Marie Louise, born Countess Branicka, great granddaughter of Czarina Catherine the Great of Russia, observed, "It is better to read about history than to experience it."

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U.S. BLOOD FOR WEST FRONT

TORONTO (UP).—The physiological hygiene department of the University of Toronto announced they planned making blood serum, for shipment to a British base hospital in France, to be kept for emergency use.

Between 500 and 600 of the university's students will be called on to donate blood to the department, for the manufacture of the serum. "Only students of the first four years of the medical course have been asked to donate blood so far," said one member of the department.

The only "blood bank" in Toronto at the present time is at Toronto Western Hospital.

The serum is valuable for transfusions, and treatment of shock without hemorrhage.

LATE NEWS

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Attempt To Run The Blockade

LONDON, FEB. 13 (REUTER).—ACCORDING TO THE "EVENING NEWS", A CABLE HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN LONDON TO THE EFFECT THAT SIX GERMAN SHIPS LEFT THE SPANISH PORT OF VIGO UNDER COVER OF DARKNESS ON SATURDAY NIGHT IN AN ATTEMPT TO RUN THE BRITISH BLOCKADE.

Three others left Brazilian ports in addition to the Wakama, making a total of ten.

The newspaper says that the German vessels, which had been sheltering in neutral ports since the beginning of the war, received orders to attempt to return home or to scuttle themselves if necessary.

The ships which left Vigo are the Wangoni, 7,848 tons; Wahehe, 4,709 tons; Orizaba, 4,354 tons; Arcas, 3,369 tons; Rostock, 2,542 tons; and the Morea, 1,927 tons.

The three German ships which left Brazilian ports recently are the Wolfsburg, 6,201 tons; La Coruna, 7,494 tons and the Koenigsberg, 6,466 tons.

WAKAMA SCUTTLED

The Admiralty has announced that the German ship Wakama was located by aircraft from His Majesty's ships in the South Atlantic yesterday.

On being ordered to stop by aircraft the German crew set fire to the ship and scuttled her.

A British warship later picked up ten officers and 36 men.

NEUTRALS AROUSSED

Deliberate German Sinking Of Ships

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Neutral comment is becoming increasingly bitter about the Nazi campaign against shipping. Bitter comments in Scandinavian and Swedish newspapers emphasise Mr. Chamberlain's statement that not one neutral ship has been sunk by the Allies.

The Netherlands press is also bitter, and Dutch indignation has been increased by the torpedoing of the liner Burgardijk.

Yesterday Holland learned from Berlin that the torpedoing of the ship was "a legal act."

Bound For Holland

Actually, however, Amsterdam messages say that the ship was bound from New York to Holland with a cargo nine-tenths of which was for the Netherlands Government and the remainder for Dutch importers.

There was nothing to show that she was proceeding to any belligerent port.

Norway, which has lost more shipping, thanks to the Nazis, than any other neutral country, has lost another vessel.

The Smevoll was sunk by a mine or torpedo on Sunday while on her way from Norway to New York in ballast. All her crew were saved.

Contraband Claim

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Neutral inquiry was "told" in Berlin to-day that the Burgardijk was presumably sunk because she had contraband on board.

So far apparently no report has been received from the captain of the submarine which sank the ship, but Nazi circles declare that contraband would be the only reason that would make him torpedo a neutral vessel.

The Parliamentary correspondent

It is reported in Rio de Janeiro that when the crew of the Wakama noticed the presence of H.M. cruiser Hawkins, they scuttled the ship off the coast of Brazil 13 hours after leaving Rio de Janeiro.

Meanwhile contradictory reports circulated here regarding the fate of the 43 members of the crew. Some newspapers stated that they were saved by the Hawkins while others said they were drowned.

The Wakama was bound for Recife (Pernambuco) carrying a full cargo of 6,000 tons of grain, coffee, lard, leather, minerals and cotton.

She was the last German ship at Rio de Janeiro, to which port she had arrived a week before the outbreak of war.

Valuable Cargo

There is no explanation why the S.O.S. from the Wakama before she was scuttled was received in Rio de Janeiro yesterday afternoon and was relayed by the Spanish freighter Arlinga Merid, 5,535 tons. The Spanish vessel said she was 48 miles from the position and was sending prompt assistance. She later wire-lessly that she had arrived and found no trace of the Wakama.

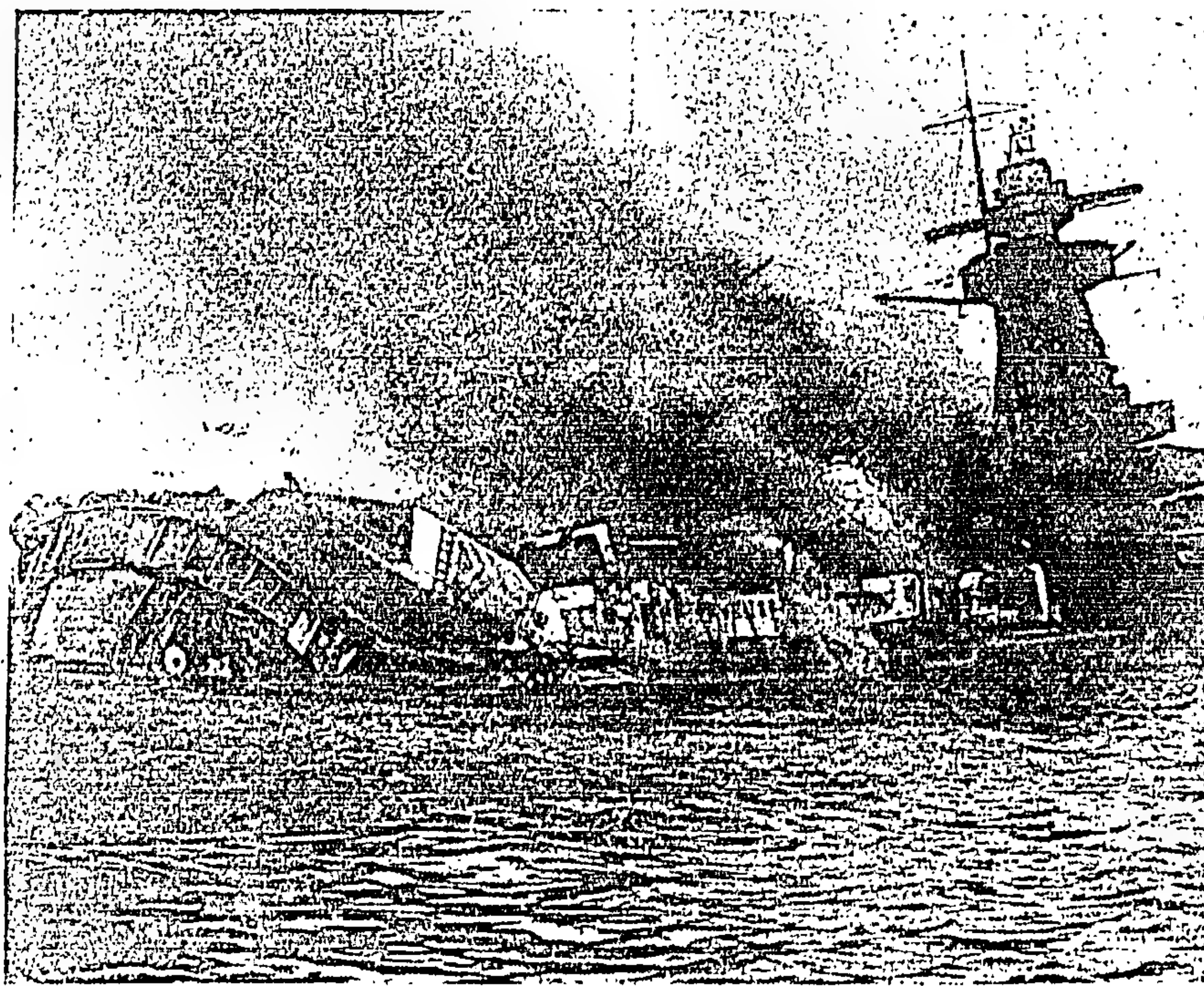
The scuttled Wakama's cargo, it is reported, may be valued at £250,000.

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KING RECEIVES NEW MINISTER

LONDON, Feb. 13 (British Wire- less).—H.M. the King received Mr. G. M. Verelst on his appointment as British Minister to Finland.



THE FIRST original photograph of the final scenes at the scuttling of the German pocket-battleship Admiral Graf Spee. This picture shows the ship just before she scuttled beneath the waters of the River Plate. From bow to stern she was a mass of flames. Her hull is seen buckled and torn by the force of the exploding ammunition.—(Fox Movietone picture.)

LATVIA IS JITTERY

Russia Not Finished With Demands?

RIGA, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—"We have no right to cherish the illusion that everything will turn out for the best," declared Karlis Ulmanis, President and Prime Minister of Latvia, when broadcasting a warning that 1940 would be a difficult year.

"Requirements for national defence are increasing every day and when the decisive hour comes, at least one man in each home will have to don a uniform," he continued.

"Everyone must have his equipment ready. I bid each of you to look to this."

"If money is lacking for such a purpose, those who have money must help those who have not."

Situation Very Grave

"If the situation were not very grave I would not touch on such matters."

"We will strengthen the defence of our country but the population must be ready to make great sacrifices in the near future."

"It would also be wise for you to put aside enough supplies of bread and food to last a year."

"Nothing is lost for the moment but it would be wise for everyone to prepare himself," he concluded.

Authoritative quarters here say that no new demand have been received by Latvia from Russia.

Speeding Up Productions

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Proposals for an intensified effort in the engineering industry to speed up the production of armaments was handed to-night to representatives of the 34 Unions in confederation with the Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions by Mr. Ernest Brown, Minister for Labour.

A conference between Mr. Ernest Brown and representatives of the Unions lasted 2½ hours and when the proposals have been considered a further conference will be held.

U.S. LOAN TO CHUNGKING

U.S. Senate Approves Appropriation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (UP).—By a vote of 49 to 27 the United States Senate has approved the Bill increasing the capital of the Export & Import Bank by \$100,000,000 to enable the United States to make additional loans to China and Finland.

The Bill now goes to the House of Representatives, where an early approval is expected.

OBITUARY

HONGKONG SOLICITOR

Mr. Paul Hodgson Dies In Hospital

The death occurred at the War Memorial Nursing Home this morning of Mr. Paul Mary Hodgson, Principal of the firm of T's and Hodgson, solicitors.

Mr. Hodgson, who was nearly 60 years of age, was an old resident of Hongkong, having arrived here in 1907.

He was of a kindly disposition with a sound knowledge of law both in theory and in practice. He was a man of good judgment in business matters and was also keenly interested in sports of every kind.

His wife is at present on her way out to the Colony. Their daughter, who for several years resided in Hongkong, is at present in England.

Acting Crown Solicitor

Before coming to Hongkong, Mr. Hodgson was a solicitor in the Supreme Court of Judicature in England.

On his arrival here in 1907, he joined the firm of Ewins and Harston.

DIGGERS WELCOMED

Frénzied Cheers For Anzac Contingents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 13 (UP).—The frenzied cheers which greeted the arrival of the Anzacs in Egypt echoed throughout Britain to-day. The Australian New Zealand gesture is accepted as a new filip to the British Empire's united war endeavour.

Allegedly accustomed to the jovial Canadian troops, Britain as a whole has heartily endorsed Capt. Anthony Eden's message to "the boys from Down Under" that "by your action in crossing the seas you have sent the bravest message a nation's power can give."

"Nations of the great Commonwealth are now closely knit in a common endeavour and, in their unity, by the certainty of final victory and the assurance of better things to come."

While the number of yesterday's arrivals in Egypt is still an official mystery, the Suez harbour is reported to be dotted with the swaying masts of convoy liners.

It is believed here to be one of the biggest armies ever to have crossed the seas in a single unit.

New Zealand Maoris

New Zealand Maoris—sons of men who fought with distinction in the last war—were among the shouting, singing throngs of men who marched past Mr. Eden, asking "When do we meet old Adolf" and submitting pound notes for the Dominion Secretary's autograph.

All of them look upon the 10,000-mile voyage as an adventure.

One said: "It beats me why we are being paid for taking this cruise." Reports from Suez said that the tumultuous flag-waving reception had not died down to-night, although the instigators are already getting down to the serious business of war at camp "Somewhere in the Middle East."

Major General Freyberg's camouflage tent has been pitched on a knoll in the centre of the camp.

Each man has been supplied with a specially printed map showing the base, restaurants and districts within bounds to troops.

Royal Navy Thanked

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Major General Freyberg, Commander of the New Zealand Expedition—PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

END
OF
NAZI
NAVAL
HOPES

RUSSIANS THROUGH?

Finns Retire From Advance Posts Under Heavy Pressure

By RALPH FORTE

UNITED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT

HELSINGFORS, FEB. 14 (UP).—THE RUSSIANS HAVE BROKEN THROUGH.

THE FINNS HAVE EVACUATED CERTAIN ADVANCED POSITIONS IN THE SUMMA SECTOR. THE POSITIONS ARE DESCRIBED AS MACHINE-GUN OUTPOSTS IN NO MAN'S LAND.

Evacuation was forced under pressure of continuous Russian attacks.

The Finns immediately counter-attacked with great ferocity and claim to have regained several of the posts after the Russian charges broke against the actual Mannerheim Line fortifications.

Most Desperate Battle of War

By EDWARD BEATTIE

UNITED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT

WITH THE FINNISH ARMIES ON THE KARELIAN ISTHMUS, Feb. 13 (UP).—The struggle over the blood-stained snow in front of Summa were into its twelfth day of constant fighting with Russian men and machines still clinging desperately against the Finnish positions as they were mowed down by the fire of the defenders.

The Russians almost fatalistically obey the orders of their officers—orders which mean certain death for thousands of them.

Casualties are increasing, not only among the Russians but also among the defenders, who fight to the last man to defend even the most insignificant outpost.

Up to this morning, when the most desperate onslaught of the war reached a new climax, the Russians losses had run, according to Finnish official sources, into "very many thousands."

The Russians are apparently relying on their steam-roller tactics—constant pressure by an overwhelming number of men, tanks, guns and airplanes, to overwhelm the little Finnish defending fortifications through sheer exhaustion of man power and machinery.

50,000 Mortar Shells

Typical of the herculean Russian effort is the trench mortar fire from the Red lines.

It is computed that 12-inch mortars have hurled more than 50,000 shells at the Finnish lines since the offensive started in support of wave after wave of mass bayonet charges.

Finnish machine-guns and hand grenades simply mow down the Russians as they run across No Man's Land.

But as each bayonet charge fades away there is only a few minutes pause before another climbs over the parapet to commence another charge of death against the Finns.

That the defenders have withstood twelve continuous days of this type of hammering is bewildering even the most sceptical of military experts. It simply can't be done, they say.

The wreckage of between fifty and sixty Russian tanks, which cover each Red bayonet charge, lies in No Man's Road.

But for each tank destroyed the Russians have another in reserve.

Determined To Win

They appear determined to break through at Summa, no matter what the cost.

The Finns often wonder what the Russian civilians in Leningrad are thinking about the hold-up of their PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

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FINN LINE HAMMERED

Reds' Army Receives Reinforcements

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Yesterday was the 12th day of the Soviet attack on the Mannerheim Line.

The increased intensity of the attack shows that the Soviets have received reinforcements and are relying on the pressure of tanks, guns and infantry to overwhelm the Finns through exhaustion.

The Soviets claim to have captured 32 defence forts in the Karelian Isthmus. This is denied by the Finns.

In the far north heavy snow has held up operations but Soviet planes have bombed Finnish positions.

To-day's Finnish communiqué states:

"Russian attacks continued during February 12 with undiminished force in the Summa sector."

"At Muolijärvi, Punnus, and Taipale, the attacks were driven back and Finnish troops under numerous successful counter-attacks."

At least 23 tanks were put out of action. The fighting continues.

"North of Lake Ladoga, all Russian attacks were driven back and at Pikkari the greater part of an PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

LATEST

RED CLAIM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, Feb. 14 (UP).—The Soviet Military Headquarters at Leningrad have issued the following communiqué: "As the result of successful actions Soviet troops have captured 23 of the enemy's defensive fortifications on the Karelian Isthmus."

"In some sectors, intense aviation, infantry and artillery action continues."

"The Soviet action on the Isthmus is developing successfully. Large Finnish forces attempted counter attacks but were repulsed with heavy losses."

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Feb. 14.
Canton Feb. 14.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 7th February Feb. 15.
Canton Feb. 15.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 8th Dec., 1939) Feb. 15.
Manila Feb. 15.
Shanghai Feb. 15.
U.S.A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco date, 20th January) Feb. 15.
Australia and Manila Feb. 15.

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 9th February Feb. 16.
Hankow Feb. 17.
Japan Feb. 17.
Saigon Feb. 17.
Shanghai and Amoy Feb. 17.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 20th January) Feb. 17.

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 10th February Feb. 18.
Canton Feb. 18.
Celestia, Straits and Saigon Feb. 18.
Shanghai Feb. 18.

OUTWARD MAILS
Wednesday, Feb. 14
Shanghai (Parcels only) 3.30 p.m.
Ford Bayard and Holloway 1.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Province only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 22nd Feb. K.P.O.

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Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 8th March.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.

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Ord. Feb. 15, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th March—due London, 20th March.

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Ord. Feb. 15, 10.30 a.m.

Thursday, Feb. 15
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Shanghai 10.30 a.m.
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Tientsin (Parcels only) 12.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard 2.30 p.m.
Halphong 3 p.m.
Amoy and Shanghai 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 16
Amoy 8.30 a.m.
Tours 8.30 a.m.
Japan 3.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 28th February.
K.P.O.

Parcels Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Reg. Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.

Parcels Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Reg. Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 16, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 23rd February.
K.P.O.

Reg. Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 16, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.

Reg. Feb. 17, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 17, 5.30 p.m.
Monday, Feb. 18

Canton 7.15 a.m.
Dalren 9.30 a.m.
Halphong 1 p.m.
Canton 7 p.m.
Straits and Celestia 7 p.m.
Parcels Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 20, 8.30 a.m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 10th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager
Hongkong, 25th January, 1940.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 15th February, 1940, at 11.00 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, 3rd, February to Thursday, 15th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1940.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

The Hon. General Secretary, H.K.S.P.C., Old City Hall, 1st floor.
The Inspector, 49, Pokfulam Road, 1st floor.
The Inspector, 82 Stone Nullah Lane, 2nd floor.
The Inspector, 12, Sai Yeung Choi St., Kowloon.
The Inspector, 52, Argyle St., Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society. The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

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H.K.T.
12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 The Comedy Harmonists—12.42 De Groot and His Orchestra—1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report—1.03 Dance Music by Roy Fox and His Orchestra—1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements—1.45 Musical Comedy Selections—2.15 Close Down—2.00 Music "Magic Flute," Act 7.05 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.07 Concert by Vladimir Horowitz and Pablo Casals—Gavotte Tendre, 7.30 London—The News—8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements—8.03 Studio—"Some Great Authors"—2 Swift—"The second of a series of Talks by Father Ryan, S.J."—8.30 "Dennis Noble—Baritone—The Trumpeter, Nirvana, with Piano Accompaniment by Gerald Moore—8.40 Barnabas Von Geeszy and His Orchestra—9.03 Negro Spirituals—Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen, Louis Armstrong with the Lyn Murray Quartet; (a) I Stood on de Ribber, (b) Peter, Go Ring dem Bells, Paul Robeson with Piano Accomp. by Lawrence Brown.

9.15 London—News Summary—9.30 Billy Russell—"On Behalf of the Working Classes"—9.45 The B. B. C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall.

10.10 B. B. C. Recording—"Playing the Game"—A Farical Extravaganza by L. du Garde Peach, Music by George Baker. Produced by Charles Brewer.

11.00 Close Down.

HITLER PLANS A GRAND GERMANIC EMPIRE



Stalin: Hey, you! Stop when you get to the Gulf of Finland. —Marianne.

GESTAPO SPIES KEPT WATCH ON BERLIN HOSTAGES

By LOUISE MORGAN

THE only person to greet the first group of British hostages to arrive in England from German territory was Mr. Isador Yoffey, of Manchester, a young soldier on special leave.

As his attractive, fair-haired 25-year-old wife came into view in the Customs shed he dashed across the guarded line, flung his arms about her, and kissed her several times before Customs officials could reach him.

He had not seen her since she went to Warsaw last August to visit her parents. His leave expires shortly. He met his Polish-born wife four years ago, when she was studying dentistry at Manchester University, and married her shortly afterwards.

With her came five other British women who had spent the past three weeks in a Berlin prison.

Without A Friend
Only one among them, Miss Helena Marion White, an upright, elegant, dauntless figure with the typical calmness of her race, was of English family and blood.

Returning home after 15 years' teaching on the Continent, she had two small attaché cases, a mackintosh, a few shillings, and the clothes she stood up in. Miss White has not a single living relative or friend left in this country.

Miss White gave a vivid picture of conditions in Berlin. She saw very little bacon, and though eggs are only 1d. each, one could buy only one a week and sometimes not that. Milk is skimmed, except for young children, and cannot always be had. Sausages is the only meat always available, though it comes under the meat ration of a half kilo (just over a pound) a month.

Starch ration is half a pound a week; jam, 400 grammes (28 ounces) a month; butter, a quarter pound a week; margarine, 60 grammes a week; lard, 60 grammes a week; cheese, one-eighth kilo a week.

Determined To Fight
"The German people are determined to fight," said Miss White. "They are persuaded that it was economic collapse, and not the defeat of their army, which lost them victory in 1918."

"There is much anti-Nazi feeling, but the Government has its people so well in hand that they dare not express their opinions publicly."

"People in Berlin have no hate for the English people. All their hate is concentrated on Chamberlain, whom they blame for all their troubles."

Mrs. Louise Swain, 69-year-old German-born wife of a Birmingham hotel chef, and to choose between her husband and son, a chartered accountant. She and her son were visiting relatives in Germany and the son was interned because he is of military age. "It was a terrible wrench to leave him behind," said Mrs. Swain.

Mrs. Helen Mackenzie wife of Dr. Helen Mackenzie, British director of a Warsaw school, brought her 12-year-old son, Herbert, with her. He had been in an orphanage during the three weeks she spent in prison.

The one thing all the women told me they feared during their stay in Berlin was the "moral torture" of being constantly spied upon by the Gestapo.

Fifteen British women, Miss White said, remain in the Berlin prison. Among them are Mrs. Rayner, of Harrogate, and Miss Graf, an Australian. The others are foreign-born wives of British subjects.

CONTROL BOARD IN RUMANIA

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—According to the Rumanian Legation in London, a control board to cover production, home consumption and exports of all kinds will shortly be set up by the Rumanian Government. Institution of the board will form part of the general scheme to control all Rumania's natural resources with a view to conserving supplies necessary to the country. Control boards will be set up later to deal with foodstuffs, timber and other materials.

MORE ANTIMONY FROM CANADA

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Since the outbreak of war, the production of antimony in Canada has been speeded up and it is estimated that between 50 and 75 tons are now arriving in the United Kingdom every month. According to market circles, the antimony is of good quality averaging up to 99.8 per cent. for which the current quotation is £95 c.l.f. in the United Kingdom.

He Forgets That Man Stalin

By MADAME TABOUIS

AT the moment when France and Britain, with 30 other States, were voting for the expulsion of the Soviet Union from the League of Nations, and everything pointed to an increase in German-Russian collusion, a few persons in Geneva were informed by a neutral observer of Hitler's latest grandiose scheme for a vast Nazi Empire in Europe.

This plan is contained in a curious and sensational document which I was privileged to see.

A few diplomats who have also seen it are of opinion that it is precisely the German-Russian collusion, manifest in the closing stages of the Geneva session, which will prevent Hitler from carrying it out.

Stalin will never be able to co-operate sincerely, even for twenty-four hours, in setting up a system of which he would be the first victim.

The basis of the plan, which has been drawn up under Hitler's dictation by specialists of the "Geopolitik" office, is a coherent solid bloc of peoples of German race—the Greater Reich. Round this would be a series of satellite States, over which a victorious Germany would exercise political and economic control.

Germany would be the only industrial country. The satellite States would be restricted to supplying raw materials and receiving manufactured articles. They would be allowed to have national industries, to exploit natural resources, or import manufactured goods from any other country but Germany.

All Germany would thus become an immense, powerfully equipped workshop, under the direction of German technicians. These would constitute the new European elite, with a privileged position over the governing and intellectual classes of satellite countries.

Three Stages
The achievement of this scheme for turning Europe into a German Empire is planned in three stages. First, Completion of the German "Unity of the German State" by the inclusion, in addition to Austria, of Danish Schleswig, the German part of Poland, and Alsace Lorraine.

Second: Extension of the frontiers of Greater Germany to include territories which are not at present populated by German peoples, but which, according to German "Geopolitik" principles, form integral parts of the German nation.

These territories include the strictly Polish part of Poland as far as the present Russian frontier, Bohemia, Moravia, Slovakia, Hungary, part of Croatia, reaching the Adriatic, Holland, the Flemish part of Belgium, Switzerland, Luxembourg and Denmark.

Germanization of these countries is to be accomplished in one generation at the latest by scattering the populations throughout Germany and abolishing all non-German national characteristics. This "Real Germany" would then extend from Skagerrak to Fiume or Trieste, and from Bala to Königsberg.

Third: Disarmament and subjugation of countries neighbouring the grand Germanic Empire. These would be subjected to various restrictions and reduced to the rank of "protectors."

Italy Not Included
The document mentions France, Czechoslovakia, Belgium, Rumania, Jugoslavia, Greece, Bulgaria, and the Scandinavian States. It does not mention Italy—perhaps to avoid incidents with that Power.

Turkey is apparently left to Russia, on the strength of a kind of German-Russian "condominium" over the Dardanelles, and of industrial concessions to be determined by special conventions.

The British Empire is to be pulled to pieces "by means of special agreements with the Dominions when they are entirely detached from London." Britain will then be no more than a little island at the mercy of the Power which dominates the Continent.

France, of course, is to be deprived of all her colonies, which would be annexed to Germany's African Empire.

In his efforts to realise this insane dream, however, Hitler forgets that he has been reduced to collaborating with his greatest enemy.

He forgets that by the Peace of Brest-Litovsk in 1917, which seemed to be as advantageous to Germany then as the expulsion of the Soviet from the League seems now, Lenin accomplished the demoralisation of the Kaiser's Army in one year.

The few who have seen the Nazi document in Geneva consider that eight to ten months will be sufficient, this time, for Stalin's doctrine to undermine the forces of the Third Reich.

An authoritative conclusion to this effect was communicated to Mr. Butler and to M. Paul Boncour, the British and French delegates, before they left Geneva, from which I have just returned.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Feb. 13, 1890.
Immense crowds have attended the reception at the Palace in Madrid today being the day of rejoicing for the recovery of the little King Alfonso.

Russia has the largest standing army in the world, 735,318 men, with 133,170 horses and 1,734 guns; the standing army of Germany consists of 472,000 men, 84,001 horses, and 1,374 guns. Great Britain has the largest navy, with some 600 vessels of all classes; Italy has the most heavily armed vessels and the heaviest guns yet afloat, but it is possible that the biggest vessels and guns yet afloat may prove home-morale in war; so far, in peace, they have proved pretty deadly to their owners.

25 YEARS AGO

Feb. 13, 1915.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith announced that the British casualties up to February 4 amounted to 104,000 of all ranks.

Passengers on the s.s. Lusitania, which arrived at Liverpool this morning state that when off the coast of Ireland they received a wireless message from the Admiralty telling the commander to hoist the American flag. They accordingly sailed under it to Liverpool.

A Foreign Office statement declares that the British Government always recognised the use of a neutral flag by a merchant ship for the purpose of escaping capture as a legitimate, and involving no breach of international law, but that to destroy a ship carrying a non-combatant crew and cargo, as Germany has announced her intention of doing, is nothing less than an act of piracy.

10 YEARS AGO

Feb. 13, 1930.
A promise that there will be a great struggle for the Open Tennis Singles Championship of the Colony was indicated yesterday when three first-round ties were played each producing some extraordinarily keen and fighting contests.

Open Championship Singles First Round
E. Zimmerman beat A. H. Crook, 6-2, 6-4, 6-3.

Ho Ka-lau beat F. Grese, 6-2, 7-5, 6-3.

T. Honda beat L. Lo, 10-8, 6-2, 6-4.

Y. Huchimura beat G. Weng, 6-2, 6-4.

Open Championship Doubles First Round
W. C. Hung and Cheng Chi-wing beat F. W. Ling and F. H. Kwok, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3.

T. Honda and Y. Akiyama beat Y. Man-Kit and F. H. Grese, 6-2, 6-2, 6-4.

J. D. Humphreys and H. W. Wild beat S. S. L. Farsana and C. P. F. James, 6-2, 6-4.

5 YEARS AGO

Rome, Feb. 13, 1935.
Italy is "calling" troops of three mechanised army divisions to the colours in view of the threat of war with Abyssinia, following fresh hostilities on the frontier of Italian Somaliland.

Newspapers give the greatest prominence to the speech of General Jan Smuts, delivered yesterday in Capetown, and particularly to the statement of the veteran soldier-statesman, view that the Japanese policy was a serious risk to the peace of the world.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN DEAL-OFF?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Feb. 13 (Dome).—Sir Andrew Duncan, the President of the Board of Trade, replying to a query in the House of Commons to-day, announced that the Anglo-Soviet trade accord concluded in October last year has not yet come into force.

The agreement provides for a further Soviet timber for British rubber and tin for the duration of war. It was formally signed in London on October 11, 1939.

It was believed for a while that the agreement would be developed into a comprehensive trade pact and wield considerable political influence in connection with the German-Soviet rapprochement.

The announcement by the President of the Board of Trade is understood to indicate a difficult situation arising between Britain and the Soviet Union from the Soviet-Finnish dispute.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2.27/32
Demand do	1/2.27/32
T.T. Shanghai	335
T.T. Singapore	525 1/2
T.T. Japan	103 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	49
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	149 1/2
T.T. Saigon	108 1/2
T.T. France	10.88
T.T. Switzerland	107 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3.5/32
4 m/s D/P do	1/3.9/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/4
4 m/s France	11.40
30 d/s India	84
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.90 1/2

STOCK EXCHANGE MORE QUIET

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was quieter, some rails encountering profit-taking. Industrials were irregular. Gold-edged securities occasionally improved. Kaffirs were weak on small Cape sales. Wall Street was irregularly higher.

Clash With Armed Tribesmen

NEW DELHI, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—A British officer and an Indian Sepoy were killed and five Sepoys were wounded in a clash between troops and armed tribesmen seven miles north-west of Bannu to-day.

The fighting took place when the troops were on reconnaissance duty. The gang is believed to have suffered heavily.

President Signs Defence Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt to-day signed a Bill appropriating \$252,000,000 (about £63,000,000) for national defence and enforcement of the United States' neutrality policy.

The money becomes immediately available for expenditure before the end of June next.

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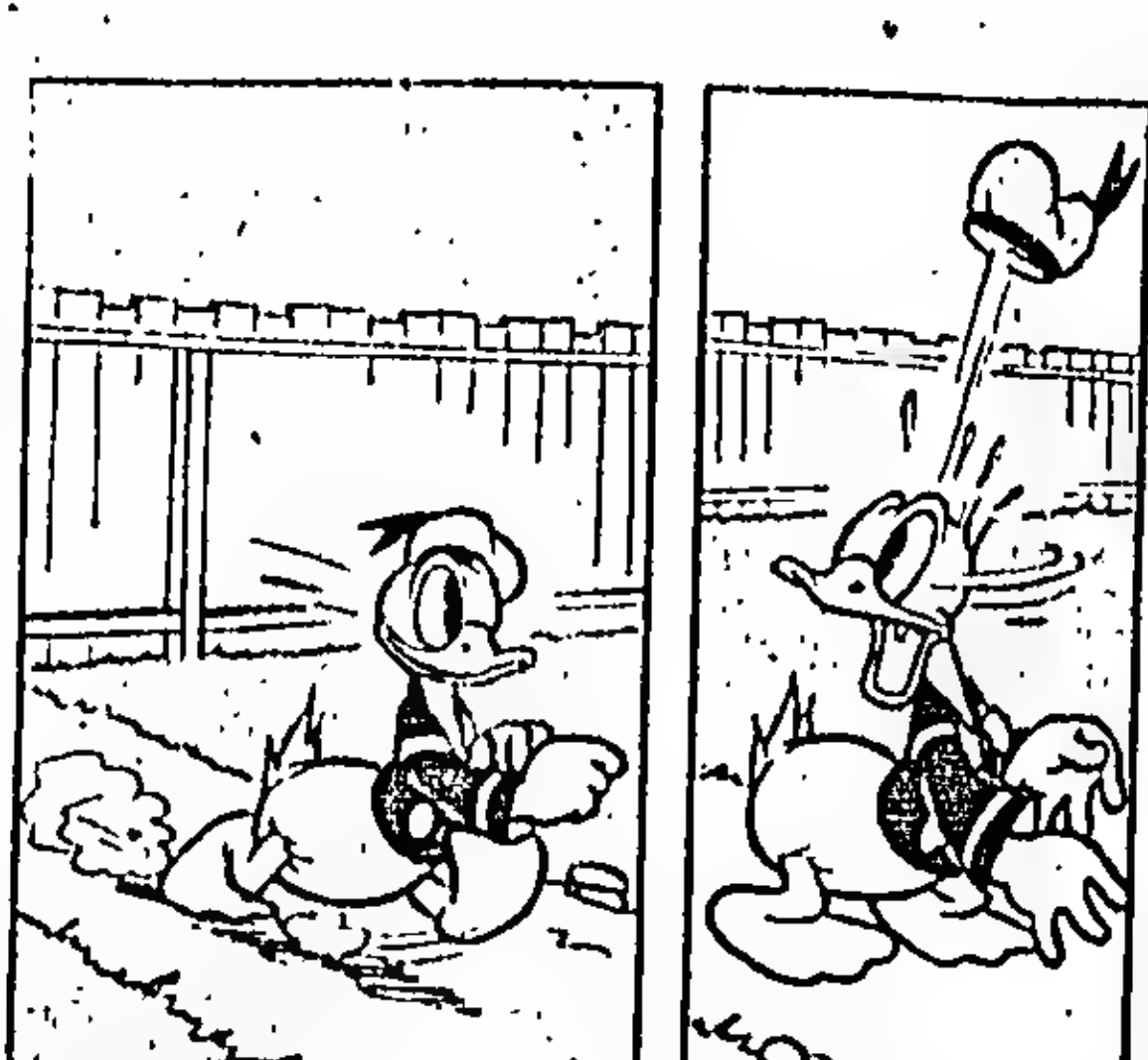
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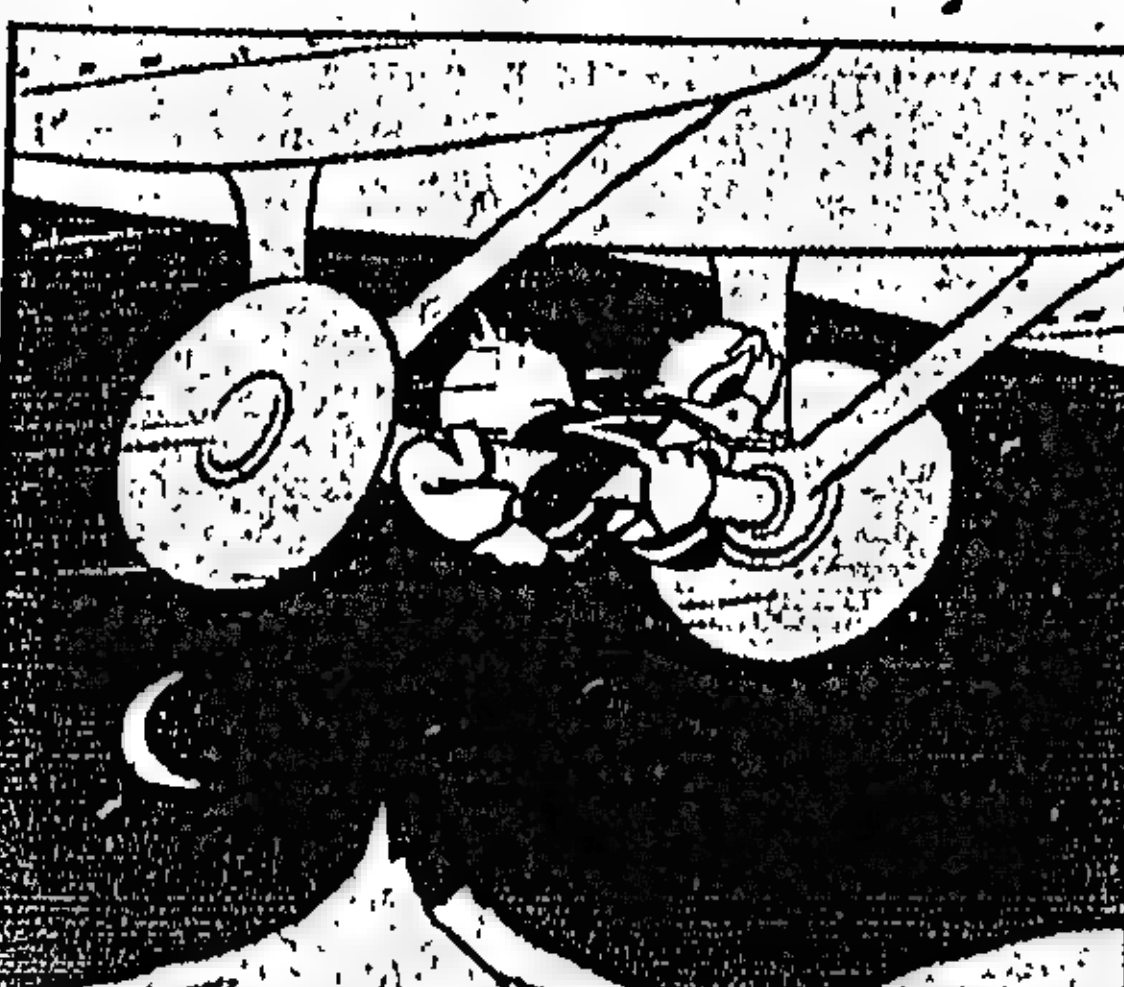
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WHY THE DUTCH MOBILISED

Nazi Plans Fell Into Hands

LIEGE. I am now able to tell the remarkable story of how the Belgian and Dutch Governments came into possession of Nazi plans which led them to take special defence measures.

A German officer's haste to rejoin his newly-married wife was the prime cause in a chain of events which resulted in the plans falling into Belgian hands. A German plane made a forced landing at Mechelen-sur-Meuse, on the Belgian frontier near here. Two officers were in the machine.

One of them belonged to the group of armies which has its headquarters at Cologne. He was the officer who carried the vitally important documents.

Told To Go By Train

I learn that he had been ordered to convey these documents, which were very bulky, from Berlin to Cologne. So that no risks should be taken, the officer had been told to travel by train. The High Command in Berlin had, in fact, provided him with a first-class railway pass.

It happened that the officer had only recently been married. His wife was living in Cologne. The train journey would have taken so long that he would not have been able to see her the same evening. He heard that one of his friends, an airman, was just on the point of leaving Tempelhof for Cologne, and the staff officer decided to take this chance of reaching his wife so much more speedily.

As the result of a big navigational error, the pilot crossed the Rhine far to the north of Cologne and found himself over the Dutch border.

He was greeted by anti-aircraft fire. He consequently turned south, and a few minutes later had to make a forced landing in a meadow at Mechelen-sur-Meuse.

Borrowed Matches

The first thing the staff officer did was to ask a peasant for some matches. With these he tried to set fire to his documents.

Belgian soldiers hastened to the plane, however, and forcibly prevented the officer from destroying the papers.

The two Germans were taken to the nearest military post for questioning. During the interview, the Nazi Staff officer succeeded in snatching the documents and throwing them into the fire. A Belgian officer was able, however, to recover them before they caught fire.

There could thus be no doubt that these papers were of exceptional importance. According to my information, they related to the transfer to the left bank of the Rhine of 22 newly-formed divisions.

Facts Confirmed

This movement was in course of being carried out. Some of these divisions were to go to the Dutch frontier, but the great majority were destined for the Belgian frontier.

The Belgian Intelligence Service was speedily able to confirm that these troop movements were in fact taking place.

At the same time news was received of the arrival in the Aachen area of the Belgio-German frontier of two Army corps, each consisting of three divisions.

While the movement of troops in the sense indicated by the captured plans was thus clearly taking place, it was not possible to be sure whether these movements were to be regarded as a concentration or were merely designed to relieve units already in the area.

At the same time, there was nothing in the papers taken from the German officer at Mechelen which made it possible to place any certainty on this interpretation of the troop movements.

The one fact which is certain is that at the present moment there are between 75 and 80 divisions on the frontiers of Holland and Belgium, for no movement of troops from the Rhineland back into the interior of Germany has yet taken place.

Of the total concentration, 57 divisions are believed to be eastward of the Belgian frontier.



THIS PHOTOGRAPH epitomises the difficulties encountered by Japan in her war with China. It shows Japanese soldiers toiling upwards on a snow-dusted battlefield in the north—Donnet.

JAPAN'S DEATH WIRE CLAIMS FIRST VICTIM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TIENTSIN, Feb. 13 (UP).—A Chinese named Liu Laokual, aged 31, was electrocuted on the Japanese barbed wire at 5 a.m. to-day.

Liu and his cousin were living in a refugee camp in the British area. Yesterday he made enquiries regarding vegetable prices outside the barriers, apparently intending to smuggle some into the camp.

He was crawling under the electrified wire when a Japanese sentry saw him and made a rush towards him.

Liu, although aware of the electrification, tried to escape under the wire. He almost succeeded but must have touched the wire, because he fell dead into the British area. His body was discovered by his cousin.

The restrictions for Chinese have now been tightened.

Following a conference to-day, newspaper correspondents noticed hundreds of Chinese waiting to pass the barriers. The Japanese sentries were slapping and ill-treating the men in contradiction to the professed desire of the Japanese to gain the goodwill of the Chinese.

Japanese Ace Shot Down

Aerial Battle Over Yunnan Province

KUNMING, Feb. 13 (UP).—

The leader of a Japanese air squadron carrying out a raid over Yunnan to-day was shot down by Chinese pursuit machines, according to a Chinese Air Defence announcement.

The wreck of the Japanese plane was found near Lotus Lake, five miles south of Wenhsan, which is 30 miles east of the French railway and 36 miles inside the Yunnan border.

It has been definitely ascertained that the plane was the Japanese squadron leader. All the occupants were killed.

According to the Air Defence authorities here, the Governor of Yunnan has presented each Chinese airman who participated in the fight with six sets of aviation clothes, while the provincial government has awarded those responsible for bringing down the Japanese plane 5,000 yuan each.

British Welcome For Welles

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuters).—In

the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, referring to the forthcoming visit of Mr. Sumner Welles to Europe, said that the British Government for their part would be ready to welcome President Roosevelt's representative and take him fully into their confidence with the object of assisting the President to form an estimate of the present situation.

TOUGH CLIMB AHEAD OF THEM

Turned Son Out of Home Father Of 'C.O.' Finds He Has Conscience Too

A YOUNG man whose father turned him out of his home because of his pacifist views appeared before the Conscientious Objectors' Appeal Tribunal in London.

He was R. S. Hildersley, of New Southgate, N., who had been refused registration by the London Tribunal.

Mr. Walter Hildersley said that his son, who was born during an air raid, would not join the Boy Scouts because of his dread of soldiers.

Four years ago his son developed pacifist views, and very acute arguments took place in the home.

"When we knew of his registration as a conscientious objector, things became very bad at home. After his tribunal appearance, at which I refused to help him in any way, he surprised us by appealing against the decision."

Unfair

"This led to a further serious dispute and ended by me telling him to leave the home. This he did. "It was then I discovered I had a conscience too. I decided it was unfair for me to judge him when he should be governed by the decisions of this court."

A Ministry of Labour representative said that the Minister wished to emphasise that it was perfectly possible for an applicant to have definite political objections to the present Government and the present war and yet to have an absolute objection to all war.

The appeal tribunal varied the decision of the London tribunal by registering Hildersley for non-combatant duties.

Wearing the uniform of a sergeant in the Salvation Army, H. Love, of Kingston-on-Thames, appeared against being registered for non-combatant duties.

Under Orders

Major Grant Matthews said that out of his corps of the Salvation Army Love was the only one who was a conscientious objector.

Sir Leonard Costello (a member of the tribunal, to Love): You say that being under authority would not be a new conversion loan at par.

SIR JOHN SIMON IS SATISFIED

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuters).—As

the result of the announcement on January 17 of a new loan by way of the conversion of the existing £350,000,000 four and a half per cent. loan, actual applications for conversion amounted to £236,000,000 and for repayment £99,000,000.

In making this announcement in the House of Commons to-day, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, stated that thus the total proportion converted exceeded two-thirds of the whole.

Sir John added that he regarded the results as satisfactory.

The offer of January 17 was to repay on July 1 in cash or, if holders preferred, to give them an option in a new conversion loan at par.

Crossword Puzzle

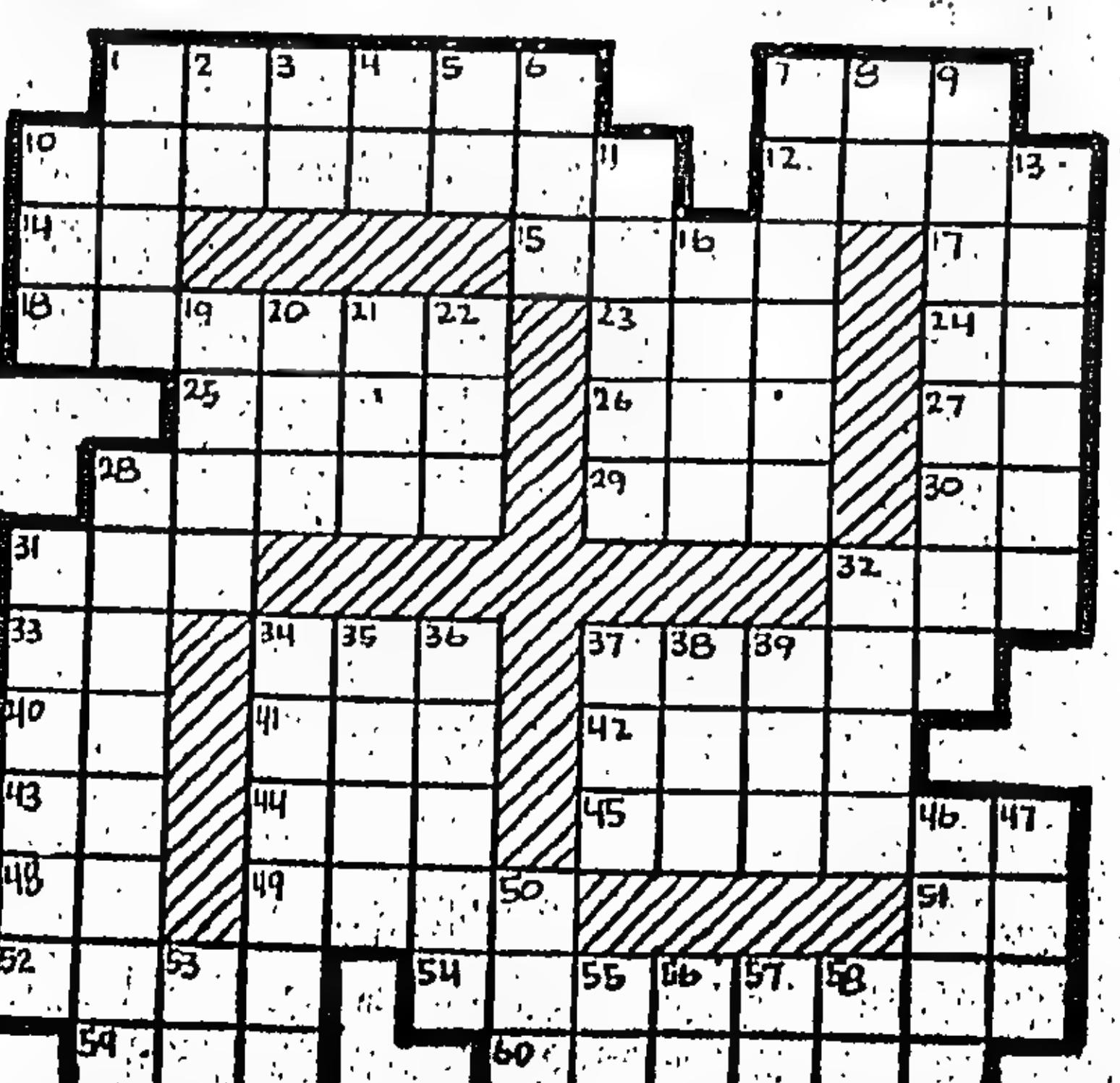
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—Permit
- 2—Dance step
- 3—Comet
- 4—Lair
- 5—On point of
- 6—Cover street
- 7—Metric measure
- 8—Lair
- 9—Pseudonym of C. Lewis
- 10—The French
- 11—God of war
- 12—Devour
- 13—Din of sea
- 14—Legal device
- 15—Travel regularly
- 16—Morose
- 17—Cow penis
- 18—Buttling wings
- 19—Dead holder
- 20—Wedding bird
- 21—Diminutive suffix
- 22—Baking chamber
- 23—Tobacco
- 24—Disorder
- 25—Lich
- 26—Bohemian river
- 27—Loud steam
- 28—Narrow coastline

DOWN

- 1—Entrance
- 2—Lumber
- 3—Kind of electric current (abbr.)
- 4—Continent (abbr.)
- 5—Booster
- 6—Tree juice
- 7—Store that enough
- 8—George Russell's pseudonym
- 9—Hole horse
- 10—Human face
- 11—Food from orchids
- 12—Valky
- 13—Turf bottle
- 14—Canton
- 15—Post
- 16—Squid
- 17—Doll
- 18—Spent shell
- 19—Railroad
- 20—Part of aviation
- 21—Quantity
- 22—Anglo-Saxon money
- 23—Doll
- 24—One who stars date
- 25—Duck carrier
- 26—First woman
- 27—Lark
- 28—Vehicle
- 29—Lark
- 30—That thing
- 31—Coldest of earth
- 32—Note of Guido's scale
- 33—French article
- 34—Like



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More U-Boat Men Captured

LONDON, Feb. 13 (British Wire-

less).—The War Office announces a further list of eight U-Boat personnel, who are now prisoners of war in Britain.

Naval Officials Non-Committal

MANILA, Feb. 14 (UP).—Naval

officials have refused to confirm or deny reports that a warship will be dispatched to chart the shoal on which the President Quezon founded. This shoal is alleged to lie on the trans-Pacific route.

The exact location of the shoal is not known, due to the fact that the vessel's charts and compass bearings were lost when the vessel slid off the shoal and sank with little warning.

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DEATHS

HODGSON—Died at War Memorial Nursing Home, Hongkong, on February 14, 1940, Paul Mary Hodgson, aged 60 years. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5 o'clock to-day. No flowers by request.

MAHER—At the Queen Mary Hospital on February 13, Martin Julian Barrow Maher (any), at the age of 73. The cortege will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day, starting from Anderson's Funeral Parlour. No flowers by request. Macao and Shanghai papers please copy.

Hongkong Telegraph

Wednesday, February 14, 1940.
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Hongkong And Finland

ELEVEN weeks of war against a small, backward, and unarmoured nation, armed with all the subtlety and guile of the continental mass of Russia can produce, and Finland still unconquered and resolute. From the blows of the giant her head is "bloody but unbowed." Military critics, even the friendliest, thought the Finnish resistance could be so more than a gallant gesture soon overwhelmed. The army of the Finns numbers less than 500,000 men, and Stalin counts his hosts by millions. But despite bombing of her towns, despite attacks from many points supported by heavy gun-fire and squadrons of quads of tanks and inexhaustible waves of infantry, no deadly wound has yet been given to the Finnish defence. The valiant resistance offered to the latest massed onslaught makes most heartening reading. The Finns still maintain themselves against the central thrust to the South, their country across its narrowest point at the head of the Gulf of Bothnia, and the Mannerheim Line across the Karelian Isthmus defies the massed artillery and the squandered legions of Stalin. But civilisation must ask itself how long human fortitude can struggle against such monstrous odds?

Finland is civilisation's outpost against barbarism. If her freedom and the noble way of life which she has won go down before the Robot tyrants of Soviet Russia all Scandinavia will be threatened by a like slavery. The League of Nations, already asked its members severally in what manner they intend to assist Finland in defeating an outrage which they condemned and for which the aggressor was expelled. From the South American States, which were the prime movers in this decision, Finland can only obtain financial support or, in time, foodstuffs. On behalf of the British Empire the promise has already been given that the Finns will receive from British factories aircraft and other material, and Britain is acting in close concert with the French. What have the neutral countries to offer Finland? She is the champion of them all in a desperate fight, and some of the European neutral nations have great material interest in her cause. Those across the seas owe it the support not only of common humanity, but of like ideas.

We in Hongkong, although far away from the scene of Russian barbarism, can do our small bit to help Finland's resistance. It is gratifying to note that, despite the many calls to note that, despite the has responded readily to the "Friends of Finland" fund inaugurated by the Consul for Finland, and that the total yesterday stood at \$7,734, enabling sent to Finland.

It is well said that Finland's cause

Happy days again (after to-day)

IT is a very old notion that the birds of the air choose their mates on February 14.

In his poem the Parliament of Fowls written by Geoffrey Chaucer in 1380 these words are to be read: For this was on Saint Valentine's day,

When every foul cometh there to choose his mate.

The invention of the hearsay is a very perfect example of the delicate fancies that so often belong to the lore of the countryside.

How charming a thing it is to contemplate the fidelity of the birds, the fidelity of these little creatures with bright eyes and shining feathers who dance above our heads light as leaves—linnets with rosy breasts, the chaffinches with white epaulettes, and the little wrens who are always careful to build an extra nest for the cock bird to sing from.

I remember being shown by the swan-herd at Abbotsbury two old swans that had been faithful to each other for longer than he could remember, and the same constancy may be observed in the pair of ravens which every year nest on the great chalk headland of White Nose, in Dorset.

FROM rook to wren, these aerial companions of our lumpy earth-existence, live under the fond belief that, fly where they may, they never can find a better mate than the one they have chosen.

It may be that the sparrows—those favoured outsiders of the goddess Venus—have remained untroubled by any such honourable illusions, fluttering invitations from rest to crutch every hour of the day in spring, summer and autumn.

It is not to be doubted that the careless felicity of these broad-beaked finches contrasts poorly enough with the high devotion, let us say, of the turtle dove, which Shakespeare so well knocks off in *The Winter's Tale*: I an old turtle, Will wing me to some wither'd bough, and there My mate, that's never to be found again.

Lament till I am lost. This represents an exaggerated picture of such life-long infatuations, and who knows but the little roguish house-top spadgers do not have the best of it! "As long live the merry as the sad."

VALENTINE'S DAY is any case, and a day full of mischief. Girls who go to sleep with four bay leaves pinned to the four corners of their lavender pillows on St. Valentine's Eve will be sure to dream dreams of grace and pleasure, and the first person they see the next morning they must acknowledge without further to do as their Valentine—the lucky boy who will have the right to demand a new favour for every one of the twelve months. It is seldom that a cypher

is the cause of the whole civilised world and, however small Hongkong's response as compared with the aid the great Powers can give, it is the unity of a world opposed to barbaric aggression that really counts. At the same time Hongkong's £405, when multiplied by similar donations from other parts of the world aiding in like manner, may easily be the last straw that will break the Russian camel's back.

The Finns have done miracles and in aiding the worthy cause launched by the Finnish Consul in Hongkong, we are aiding them to continue.

Valentine card is seen nowadays. A perfect pattern of one should be folded, layer upon layer, in a limp, love-lorn lace-like paper, with a heart fearfully transfixed by an arrow stiff and straight and not to be gainsaid.

An old English proverb asserts that a good farm goose should begin laying before Candlemas, and some Jack and Jill of the rickyard improved upon the say-so in the following manner:

Candlemas day,
 The good housewife's goose lay;
 Valentine's day,
 Yours and mine may.

In one of the Paston Letters written in 1477 this sentence may be read "And cosyn, upon Fryday is Saint Valentynes Day, and every brydde chasyth him a mate." Certain it is that there circulate about this central day of February strange pre-creant winds, winds that whistle into our ears ever the same tune:

Yesterday returneth not,
 Perchance to-morrow cometh not;
 There is to-day; misuse it not.

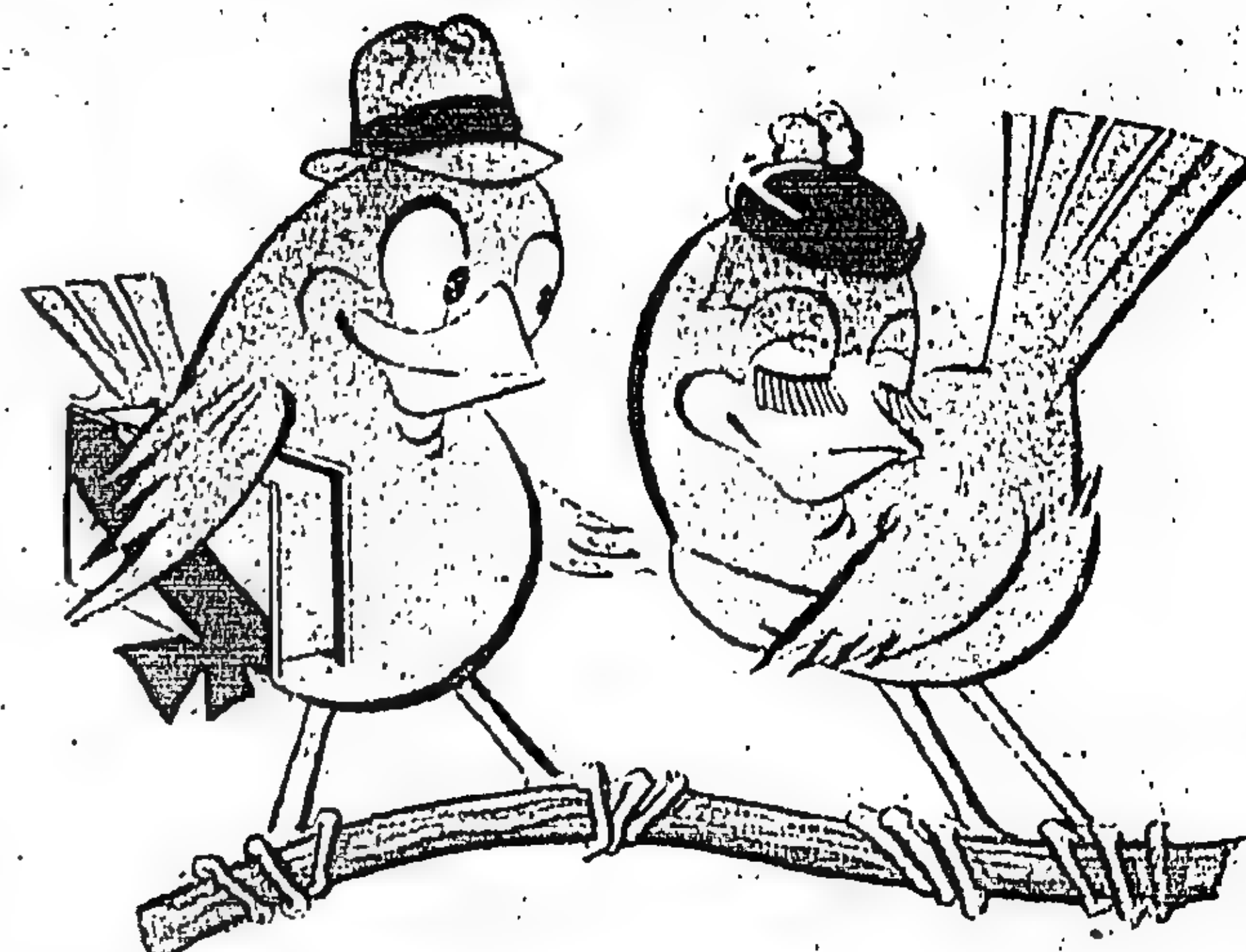
Shakespeare in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* makes Theseus, the Duke of Athens, playfully reproach the pretty lovers he finds sleeping side by side in the forest.

He causes them to be awakened with his hunting horns and says, "Saint Valentine is past: Begin these wood birds but to couple now?"

It is the time of the year when we all of us prick up our ears again to look about for tansy cakes. It was on Saint Valentine's day that John Ridd met Lorna Doone, as all dazed and half-drowned he regained consciousness to see her dark hair against the first primrose of the year!

Many of our best nursery rhymes give expression to the fancy-free restless yearning for romance that moves our hearts during the weeks of February. Fill-Dyke. Boys and girls cannot live by moil and toil alone.

THE rook boy, or, as we call him in Dorset, the crow-starver, has his mind on other matters than his ugly



According to country folk to-day is the day when the birds of the air choose their mates.

wooden clapper when he sings: Eat birds, eat, and make no waste, I lie here and make no haste; If my master chance to come— You must fly and I must run.

And the lonely goose-girl on the green common, silver with pussy-willows and yellow with gorse, what plaint does she carol?

I am a pretty wench, And I came a great way hence And sweethearts I can get none; But every glossy crow Can get sweethearts enow, But I, pretty wench, can't get one.

It was the same little maiden perhaps who, as she sat combing her hazel locks against the mossy root of the old ash tree, well sheltered from the wind made up the following verse:

Gray goose and gander Wait your wings together And carry my mother's daughter

Over the one strand river. And in the cities the same happy unrest is felt. The clouds that float above the steeples and the chimney pots of our town seem to tempt us to a freer life. There are rumours in the air and as we return home from work we know that at every street corner we may meet in the daffodil twilight the one we have searched for all our life long!

Up street and down street Each window is made of glass And if you go to the further house You'll find a pretty lass.

With the passing of Saint Valentine's Day the softer months of the year are before us. Even the month of March need not affright us blow as he may his donkey's horn.

BEFORE us are all the noons of the summer, Sunday PLEASE Turn To Page 3.

G.O.C. the Canadians won't waste his soldiers

by
WILLIAM BARKLEY

"I'm a soldier, not a scholar." He said, the words with a laugh. He had been speaking of the health of the Canadian troops on their voyage to Britain. Among them all there were two cases of pneumonia, said the general, "they yielded to sulphamide treatment."

A word which would twist most tongues came trippingly off his. It was when some one said "Spill it" that Major-General A. G. L. McNaughton, commanding the Canadian Active Service Force, grinned and said he was not a scholar.

In truth he is both scientist and soldier. In himself he admirably represents that quality of adapted intelligence which he is building into his Canadian division. His belief is that a modern army must be mechanised, expert and technical. He believes that the civilian experts already, and particularly if they are Canadians.

"That is where we score as a pioneer country," he told me. "We are accustomed to fighting the rigours of nature. We don't need to create technical experience. We have a wealth of it which merely requires adaptation."

Andrew or "Andy" McNaughton—"I'm of Scottish ancestry"—is in himself part of that Canadian wealth of adaptable experience. He has slipped into khaki as lightly as he slipped it off in 1919. In the last war, as in this, he was one of the first Canadian contingents landing in France in February 1918 as major of artillery, in which he had done militia service since his undergraduate days of 1909. He ended the war in command of the Canadian Heavy Artillery.

Between wars he has applied his scientific brain to the military art until four years ago his Government put him at the head of the Canadian National Research Council. He is himself the inventor of a cathod-ray direction-finder. Precision instruments of aircraft, meteorological equipment, metallurgical research—such have been the interests of Canada's Commander. But all the time he was applying his laboratory experience to mechanical warfare.

Just on the outbreak of war he came to London with the War Mission of Canadian manufacturers and returned to spread his enthusiasm for the newest guns which he had inspected here. Once again he has left the laboratory and slipped back into khaki, the embodiment of the skilled technician who sizes up to his idea of the modern soldier.

At fifty-two he is slim, lean-featured and alert as a blackbird. His black moustache is graying, but there are bushy black eye-brows over the sombre brown eyes which concentrate the frankest and most comprehending gaze as he speaks to one. His manner is natural, quite unstudied and all the more impressive for that. He is grim and serious.

"This is not a glorious adventure that we are engaged on," he said. "That is not the spirit of my men. We regard it as an unpleasant job that has got to be done and done as quickly as possible so that we can get back to our civil avocations."

War as he wages it is not going to be any affair of wasting men on gallant but hopeless exploits. "Machines and intelligence are the things to win the war with," he says, "not young lives."

His task now is to extract the last ounce of benefit from our own Army's experience and to equip his own magnificent manpower with every device that can render them formidable as a scientific fighting force.

ARF A Mo', ADOLF!



The second Australian Expeditionary Force has arrived in Egypt. —Armstrong in the Melbourne "Argus"

WILL NOT INTERFERE

U.S. State Department And War In East

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, has expressed the State Department's disapproval of the resolution to invoke the Neutrality Act in the undeclared war between Japan and China, according to Senator Key Pittman.

Pittman told press representatives today that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee would probably consider Mr. Cordell Hull's opinion as also reflecting the State Department's views on the undeclared Russo-Finnish war.

Senator Pittman declined to make public the contents of a letter in which Mr. Cordell Hull outlined his views, but said that Mr. Cordell Hull apparently felt that the peace and security of the United States was not directly involved in either conflict.

Cry For Embargo

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The cry for a moral embargo against Japan is raised by Senator Norris.

It is generally thought, however, that in the most vital aspect, namely, oil, this is inapplicable.

Exports of war material must obtain State Department licences and then most pressure can be applied, but oil companies do not require licences.

Hence it is difficult to apply pressure there. Moreover, it is reported that there is not the same unanimity between oil companies as regards sales to Japan as exists among aircraft manufacturers.

Present indications are that the Senate will proceed cautiously in dealing with proposals for an official Government embargo against Japan.

Rescue After 28 Hours

Survivors Of Trawler Crew Suffer Severely

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—After 28 hours in an open boat, eleven members of the crew of the British trawler, Togimo, all suffering from exposure and three seriously wounded, were landed at a port in south-east Eire today.

The trawler was sunk by a U-boat which shelled them and killed one of the crew.

Before the Spanish steamer, Montanavo, rescued them they had to exist upon a ration of one biscuit and a few spoonfuls of water.

Captain James Gale, who won the D.S.O. in the last war, stated that he was on watch on Sunday morning when a shot from a U-boat 500 yards away startled him. The trawler extinguished all lights and attempted to dash to safety, but the next shot hit the charthouse close to where the Captain was standing and set it afire.

20 Shots Fired

Twenty more shots were fired, putting the engines and dynamo out of action and damaging the steering gear. As the trawler began to sink, orders were given to man boat.

An Irishman, Price, was coming up the ladder to the deck when a shell burst, killing him and wounding his companion.

Another of the crew, badly wounded, was carried to the lifeboat by his comrades.

Another shot then carried away the wheelhouse.

There was hardly room to move in the lifeboat and to bail constantly.

All were exhausted from exposure and hunger when they were picked up by the Montanavo.

Victory Confirmed

CHUNGKING, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that Chinese forces have recaptured the important town of Pingyang, north-east of Nanning in South Kwangsi.

The Chinese on February 11 launched a strong attack on the Japanese forces holding the town. After an all-day battle, the Chinese forces occupied the town, inflicting 8,000 casualties on the Japanese.

A communique states that after three days of irresistible Chinese encircling and outflanking movements, the Japanese forces in the Pingyang area are beginning a general withdrawal towards Nanning.

NO EXCHANGE OF COMMODITIES

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons today, in answer to a question as to what commercial transactions had taken place between Britain and Russia during the last three months, Sir Andrew Duncan, new President of the Board of Trade, said that regarding the agreement signed last October with Soviet Russia for the exchange of timber against rubber and tin, he had been informed that it had not been found possible for the exchange of these commodities to take place.

KING SENDS HIS GOOD WISHES

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King has sent to the Emperor of Japan a telegram of good wishes for his health and welfare and prosperity of the Imperial House on the occasion of the 2,000th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire.

Minorities Suffering

Nazi Cruelty Is Exposed

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Further evidence of the way minorities are suffering under the Nazi heel is provided by an article in the "New York Times".

So much food has been taken from Bohemia and Moravia, it says, that there is now not enough wheat and food remaining to provide food for the population. Stark hunger is their prospect.

Farmers are selling live-stock because there is no food stock.

Nevertheless the Prague Cabinet has been ordered to provide 100,000 hogs by the spring although there is no food to feed them.

The production of butter and fats is only 12 per cent. of the normal. Nevertheless margarine factories must continue to ship definite amounts, all carefully wrapped in Russian paper, to bolster up the courage of the German consumer.

DIGGERS WELCOMED

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ary Force, cabled the First Lord of the Admiralty today.

The cable read: "I send you on this historic day the thanks of all ranks to the gallant ships of the Royal Navy protecting us on our voyage to Egypt."

Mr. Winston Churchill replied that the Royal Navy was proud to carry the famous Anzacs once again across the ocean.

"All your old comrades in the Royal Naval Division rejoice to see you at the head of the New Zealand command," he added.

N.Z. Raises Another Army

WELLINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Within 24 hours of the landing of the Australian and New Zealand troops, the New Zealand Minister of Defence was announcing that a second New Zealand contingent for overseas was only 753 men short of full strength.

He declared that within a week sufficient men should be available from a third contingent.

Response to the call had been excellent. The New Zealand Government, he said, was trying to get reinforcements ready some months ahead of requirements.

A National Recruiting Committee, therefore, was being formed.

Neutrals Impressed

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—There is ample evidence that the arrival of the Australian and New Zealand Forces in the Middle East has created a great impression not only at home but also in neutral countries.

It is the leading topic of conversation in England. Messages from France show that our Allies are equally stirred by this demonstration of solidarity.

The headline over the story of the arrival in "Le Journal" is typical of both the French and English sentiment that they have a new trump card for victory.

The American papers also give it a great deal of space.

The "New York Herald-Tribune" calls it a striking achievement like that of the transport of the Canadian contingents to England but it is even more spectacular from the technical standpoint.

In Britain, the "Times" emphasises that every man was a volunteer. Nothing has demonstrated more clearly the unity of the British Commonwealth than the transport of the Canadians followed so closely by that of the Australians and New Zealanders.

Indestructible Unity

The "Daily Telegraph" says that the disembarkations of two formidable reinforcements for the Allied armies is palpable evidence of the indestructible unity of the Empire.

The paper stresses that it is only because the British Navy has command of the seas that it was possible to transport the troops.

The "Daily Mail" comments that the fact that free men should hurry from all parts of the world to fight for what they believed was something which Hitler cannot comprehend but he will soon understand its meaning.

The question why the troops should assemble in the Middle East was the subject of articles in some newspapers.

The papers, however, point out that the Suez Canal is still in some ways the jugular vein of the Empire and also that the Allies have given guarantees to the small nations in the Balkans and Turkey that they are now our friends.

The "Manchester Guardian" says that the Middle East has become for Britain and France a wide defensive or offensive position of great strength.

Rumania and Turkey have been threatened by the only two great Powers likely to disturb them. If this disturbance takes place our duty will be clear.

Breach Is Now Healed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Iran resumed full diplomatic relations with the United States today when the Iranian Minister, Mohammed Schayesteh, presented his credentials to President Roosevelt.

M. Schayesteh was appointed Minister in December following a diplomatic breach lasting two years. Relations became strained when, following a car accident in which he was involved, the Iranian Minister to the United States was recalled.

WESTERN FRONT German Raid Repulsed

PARIS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—A communique issued today states that east of the Moselle an enemy raid, preceded by trench mortar and artillery preparation, has failed completely.

There was infantry fire on the Rhine and also aviation activity.

Bitter Cold In Battle Zone

PARIS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Despite the new cold wave which has descended on the Western Front, British planes made a long reconnaissance flight over north-west Germany and returned safely although attacked by German fighters, it is stated here.

On the front itself the thermometer has fallen to eight degrees above zero Fahrenheit, and all activities are at a standstill except patrolling and reconnaissance flights.

The French Air Force also made a similar flight and a number of sorties were made by their fighter machines. One German plane toured over northern France.

German Communique

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BERLIN, Feb. 13 (UP).—The D.N.B. (Official German News Agency) reports from the Western Front: "No change took place on the Western Front today. Artillery action on both sides was slight."

"At Grosswald a hostile fortification was destroyed by hand grenades. At some points along the Rhine, for instance at Gressen, there was machine-gun action."

"Patrol activities continued in the usual manner."

NEUTRALS AROUSED

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of the "Telegraph" writes: "Our people feel nothing but disgust and indignation at such piracy and the Government knows in advance that it has the whole nation behind it. If it makes clear at the proper time and place and with proper emphasis that Holland does not wish to be threatened with want and hunger through the illegal and unreasonable action of one of the parties in the war."

Netherlands Protest

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Government will shortly protest in Berlin at the torpedoing of the Dutch freighter Arendsterk.

A most serious view is taken in official quarters regarding reports of the torpedoing of the "Burgerdijk" which have been received up to now. It is considered that if the reports are verified the sinking of the "Burgerdijk" was the most flagrant violation of the rights of neutral shipping yet committed.

A very strong protest is expected.

Diggers In Palestine

JAFFA, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The first contingent of Australian troops arrived in Palestine today after a five hour train journey.

An unending line of grey buses conveyed them from the small station through the orange groves to a white-tented camp, which had been prepared by a Scottish regiment who greeted the newcomers warmly.

The battle dresses of "the Scottes" and "the Diggers" contrasted but they soon fraternised.

Swedish Ship Lost

LONDON, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—The Swedish steamer, Dalgro, 3,927 tons, sank in the Atlantic east of Iceland. The crew of 26 were rescued by a Belgian trawler which made for an Irish port.

The Captain died soon after the rescue.

It is not known whether the Dalgro was mined or torpedoed.

MOST DESPERATE BATTLE OF WAR

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mighty Red Army on the Karelian Isthmus.

The continuous artillery fire, always clearly audible in Leningrad, is heard with much greater clarity during the long, silent winter nights.

The Finns wonder whether the Russians in Leningrad never speculate on the fact that the fighting has remained in virtually the same spot since the war started eleven weeks ago.

Viborg, behind the Finnish lines—It is the second largest city in Finland—does not wonder, because it knows what effort have gone into the Finnish defences.

Viborg is the most efficient city I have ever seen taking shelter when an air raid alarm is sounded.

Some Finnish officers call the present fighting "Russia's anniversary offensive" as, they believe, it is designed to produce a great victory and entrance into Viborg on February 23, Russia's "Army Day." Earlier, however, Stalin's birthday was to have produced this occasion for rejoicing among the Russians.

American Planes For Sweden

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively reported that the Swedish Purchasing Mission has contracted for 144 Vultee planes which are reputed to be capable of a speed exceeding 400 m.p.h. The cost is approximately \$10,000,000.

The Director of Air Raid Precautions announces that the Naval Authorities will be testing the air raid warning system, situated on Stone-island Island to-morrow commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Control Of Railways

Government Scheme Debated In Commons

LONDON, Feb. 13 (British Wireless).—Financial arrangements respecting Government control of railways in wartime were debated in the Commons on a motion of Mr. Herbert Morrison, who declared that national interests would be better served by the establishment of a permanent national transport authority to own and control all forms of inland and coastwise transport.

In criticising the agreement, he referred to the rise in railway stocks since the agreement was mooted amounting, he said, to £100,000,000, and remarked that government participation in profits only began when they were at a very high level.

The Minister of Transport, Captain Euan Wallace, said that he did not think anyone would dispute the need for control of transport in wartime. Government must be in a position to direct that the rail system as a whole should be used to the best advantage.

Pool System

Financial arrangements were all based on the general principle that the receipts of controlled undertakings should be pooled.

There were four stages in the financial arrangements—first, that the minimum net revenue should be guaranteed by the government; second, a further amount which the controlled undertakings might be paid in excess of that minimum; third, profit-sharing on a fifty-fifty basis which extended to a point where each of the controlled undertakings would reach its standard revenue; and fourth, above that point, all additional net earnings accrued to the Exchequer.

It was impossible to forecast what would happen after the war, but he opined that railway charges would find their economic levels as they would during the war in accordance with the agreement. There was no intention of securing charges during the war beyond an economic level.

Economic Basis

Government intended as far as possible that controlled undertakings should operate upon an economic basis involving adjustments, charges to variation in working costs including wage rates, prices of material and other circumstances arising directly out of the war and including the cost of meeting charges for making good war damage.

It was not possible, under the stress of war conditions, to retain the jurisdiction of the Railway Rates Tribunal over the general level of charges.

Government did not intend, however, that the safeguard should be abandoned and a special department of the Ministry was being set up, to be aided by a distinguished civil servant, to deal with the question of rates.

Government Assurance

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—An assurance that the Government would not use the control of railways to impose higher charges on the public was given by the Transport Minister, Captain Euan Wallace, in the House of Commons today.

Mr. Wallace said that charges would only rise if necessitated by increased wages, prices of materials or difficulties due to war conditions, and that such increases would have to be justified to Parliament.

Mr. Wallace was answering Opposition criticism of the Government's agreement with the railways following a motion by Mr. Herbert Morrison that the interests of the country would be better served by the establishment of a permanent national transport authority to own and control all forms of inland and coastwise transport.

Morrison's motion was defeated by 180 to 119.

Troops Fed From Air

Posts Isolated In Recent "Freeze"

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—How troops cut off during Britain's recent great freeze-up were fed from the air is now revealed.

In various parts of the country, the R.A.F. were asked to establish communication with the railways following a motion by Mr. Herbert Morrison that the interests of the country would be better served by the establishment of a permanent national transport authority to own and control all forms of inland and coastwise transport.

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More Seamen Wanted By Admiralty

LONDON, Feb. 13 (British Wireless).—Since war began 10,000 experienced seamen have joined the Royal Navy Patrol Service, and recruiting is proceeding at a rate of 300 a week. It is now stated that the Admiralty will require a further 10,000 to man the growing fleet of small craft of all types engaged in mine-laying, mine-sweeping, anti-submarine service and all kinds of patrol work.

DEBATE OF 29 HOURS

Record Sitting Of South African Assembly

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—After challenging the Government's war measure in a House of Assembly debate lasting 26 hours, the Opposition led by General Hertzog and Dr. Malan unsuccessfully moved for an adjournment this afternoon.

The motion was defeated by 78 to 48 votes, and the debate on the second reading of the Emergency Powers Bill, therefore, is continuing.

Chef Was Exhausted

The Opposition Whip, asking General Smuts to accept the adjournment motion, stated that the House was unable to carry on: the official reporters were exhausted, there were no supplies in the pantries and the chef, who had been on duty 36 hours, was nearing exhaustion.

The Whip added that there were still 22 members of the Opposition wishing to speak. Unless there was an adjournment, the debate would continue until 4 a.m. to-morrow at the earliest.

General Smuts declined to accept the motion.

The Assembly finally passed the second reading of the War Measures Bill by 79 to 59 votes after a record sitting of 28 hrs. 47 minutes.

FINN LINE HAMMERED

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enemy column of 100 vehicles was destroyed.

Aerial Combats

"During February 12, the Finnish air force participated in air combats and in addition carried out reconnaissance flights, besides bombing enemy columns and bases."

"In the war zone, the enemy concentrated air activity on the front line and its immediate vicinity, over the Isthmus, and north of Lake Ladoga."

"Finnish fighters and anti-aircraft artillery shot down four enemy machines, according to confirmed reports, while in addition there are a number of unconfirmed cases."

Stab In The Back?

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Professor Tancréd Borenius, noted Finnish professor, says that skilled German officers are now with the Soviet forces.

"We have reason to expect a German Expeditionary Force before long in South Finland. We must expect a stab in the back exactly as in the case of Poland," he said.

Great Violence

PARIS, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—A Soviet offensive on the Mannerheim Line developed with great violence early yesterday, according to information reaching official quarters from Helsinki. It is added that the Finns are still standing firm.

HONGKONG SOLICITOR

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being then admitted as a solicitor at the Supreme Court, Hongkong.

In 1910, he served on the board of the South China Morning Post, Ltd.

In 1911, Mr. Hodgson became Assistant Crown Solicitor and three years later took over the position of Acting Crown Solicitor.

About 1917, he occupied the position of legal adviser on the staff of the Union Insurance Society of Canton. By that time he had been appointed to be a non-official Justice of the Peace and was Vice-Commodore of the old Corinthian Yacht Club.

Early in January 1925, he set up as a stock-broker but later that year resumed legal practice.

During the following year he interested himself in many local associations. He was at that time the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Automobile Association, the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Sheik-O Country Club.

Partner In Firm

Mr. Hodgson became a partner in the firm of Teo and Hodgson about 1927. Two years later he became President of the Hongkong Automobile Association and a director of the China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd. and of the Hongkong Excavation, Pile Driving and Construction Co., Ltd.

In 1932, he became a director of the South China Motorship Buildings and Repairing Works, Ltd.

His keen interest in the development of Shek-O as a residential area was shown in his becoming a director of the Shek-O Development Co., Ltd. He built a house at Shek-O several years ago. Last year, however, he built another house in the Mount Cameron district.

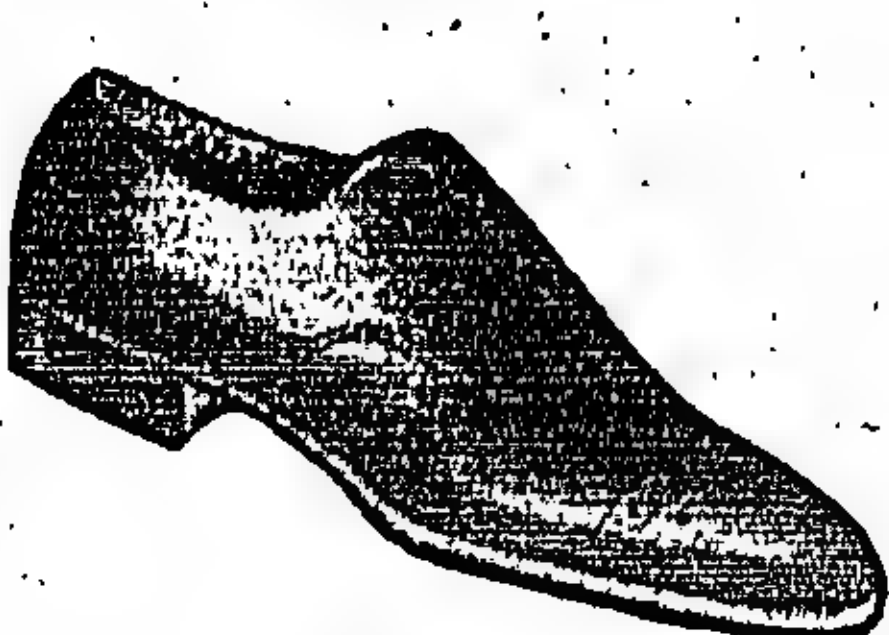
Last year, Mr. Hodgson occupied the position of Steward of the Hongkong Jockey Club. He was also a committee member of the Law Society and the Hongkong Broadcasting Studio.

He was appointed a member of the 1939 Traffic Commission to report on existing Regulations and Ordinances and to submit recommendations with a view to improving the Colony's traffic conditions.

The funeral will take place this evening, the cortege passing the Monument at 5 p.m. By request, no flowers are to be sent.

Y'S MEN'S TIFFIN

Mr. William Yinson Lee, who has just returned from a month's visit to Manila, will be the speaker at to-morrow's luncheon meeting of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club at St. Francis Hotel, his subject being "The Chinese and the Philippines."



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CALL FOR REVOLUTION

FORGE A NEW ORDER, SAYS H. G. WELLS

"FORGE a New World Order by a World Revolution—or perish amidst the spreading chaos."

That is Mr. H. G. Wells' message to the peoples in his book, "The New World Order," published by Secker and Warburg (6s.).

Five times in this exposition of Wells' Peace Aims he drives home that thrust—unless we all face up to, and conquer, the task of world remodelling, we shall face extinction.

If we win then there will stand for the future a world of free men and unassailable happiness. But the task must be tackled immediately.

Ten-Point Declaration

Already Mr. Wells has presented to the world a draft of his "Declaration of the Rights of Man" (it appeared in the News Chronicle on October 28). Around that 10-point declaration is Wells' conception of his New World Order formed.

He has no "War Aims" for the Allies, only "Peace Aims," which do not stop at the mere making of peace, but jump off from that attainment to inflame the whole globe in the effort to realise his great plan.

His Definition

"This new and complete Revolution can be defined in a very few words," he writes. "It is:

(a) A world-Socialism, scientifically planned and directed, plus

(b) A sustained insistence upon law, law based on a fuller, more jealously conceived restatement of the personal Rights of Man, plus

(c) The completest freedom of speech, criticism and publication and a sedulous expansion of the educational organisation to meet the evergrowing demands of the new order. Putting it at its compactest, it is the knowledge of Socialism, Law and Knowledge which frames the Revolution which may yet save the world."

No More Versailles

To this end, Wells advocated a great world debate which must go on now, debate of all the people. He thinks that it is incredibly foolish to talk of ending the war and then having a World Conference to inaugurate a new age.

"So soon as the fighting stops the real world conference, the live discussion, will stop too. The diplomats and politicians will assemble with an air of profound competence and close the doors upon the outer world and resume—Versailles."

Abolition Of Distance

"The present war does not touch upon the essential problem (the abolition of distance), thinks Mr. Wells.

"It may indeed destroy everything and still settle nothing. If one could wipe out all the issues of the present conflict we should still be confronted with the essential riddle, which is the abolition of the boundaries of most existing sovereign States and their merger in some larger Pak."

Treaties and mutual guarantees are not enough.

To achieve his ideal state of world collectivism after the peoples have agreed to tackle the problem, he suggests a confession of universal wrong-thinking and wrong-doing.

A revolution—an effort at social and political readjustment—is bound to come in Germany, Britain, universally, a likely off-shoot of the "exasperating diminutions and crescendos of the war."

It is on the tide of the revolution that Mr. Wells expects victory for his New World Order to travel.

'I Am Human Being,' Says Judge

A 31-year-old woman accused of bigamy, at Cardiff Assizes, was told by Mr. Justice Hawke:

"I suppose I ought not to say that a man and woman, not married, ought to go on living together, but I am a human being and I think it is the best thing for you."

The woman, Doris Smith, had admitted bigamously marrying Thomas Smith, aged 45, a fireman.

Both were sentenced to two days' imprisonment.

FILM STAR ARRIVES



MISS CHEN YUN SONG, Queen of the Chinese film stars, snapped as she arrived in Hongkong. Miss Chen is expected to make two films while she is in the Colony.

Swastika Is Death Symbol

Germany is not the only country which has the swastika (or Hakenkreuz) as a national emblem. It appears as an identification mark on the planes of three nations—Germany, Finland and Latvia—though with certain distinctions.

The German Hakenkreuz, which was adopted as a national and anti-Semitic symbol by the Nazi Party in its early days, is black with a white circle.



THE NAZI WAY



FINNISH AND LATVIAN

circle. It is the "sinister" or left-handed design, and it stands on the point of one of its arms.

Blue And Red

Finland's aircraft marking is officially described as "a white disc-shaped with the blue swastika-shaped cross."

Latvia's mark is "on a white disc, a red 'fylot' or swastika." As with Finland, the cross stands squarely on its base.

These marks appear on the fuselages of planes; the German swastika is painted on the tail.

Since the Nazis adopted the swastika as their particular emblem, much has been written about its origin and mystic significance.

Ancient Indian Name

It is one of the oldest known amuletic signs, and is generally believed to have been invented by the primitive Aryans—hence its adoption by the Nazis.

Swastika is the ancient Indian name which, according to philologists means "fortunate" or "lucky."

Some of the early Christian mystics saw in the two lines at right angles a symbol of Christ as a corner-stone, and architects and designers of the Middle Ages used the sign freely in their reliefs and patterns.

Path Of The Sun

In its right-hand or "dexter" form the swastika was supposed to symbolize the path of the sun from east to west, and in its left-hand or "sinister" form as the Germans use it, the path of the sun at night from west to east.

In the first form it symbolized the day, light, glory, the hosts of Heaven and blessing; in the latter night, darkness, death and destruction—a distinction which no doubt Hitler fully appreciates.

In Ancient Synagogue

Some scholars deny that the swastika is a specifically Aryan symbol. A German encyclopedia published shortly before Hitler came into power stated categorically that the Australian Aborigines were almost the only race among whom the swastika had not been found. Scorn was cast upon its use by anti-Semitic parties.

Some time ago Belgian archaeologists found the sign among the

mosaic decorations in the marble floor of a Jewish synagogue in the ancient city of Apamea, Asia Minor, at one time a famous Jewish trading centre.

Author Would Not Have It

Formerly the swastika was used as a decorative symbol in the design for the cover of Messrs. Macmillan's editions of Rudyard Kipling's books.

It appeared on the "spine" and front of the editions printed in 1924, but after Hitler's rise to power the design was removed at the request of the author.

'Daughter Is My Best Production'—John Barrymore

JOHN BARRYMORE, starring in a stage play in Chicago called "My Dear Children," has found a rival in the theatre next door—his 18-year-old daughter, Diana, by a previous marriage.

Barrymore calls her "Duke," "Slugs" or "Gus." He has hardly seen her for the past four years, but now she is starring in "Outward Bound" and her name is sparkling next door to her father's in lights.

"She's absolutely the most delightful person I have ever met," says Barrymore. "I worked like hell on 'Hamlet' and 'Richard the Third,' but she is the best thing I have ever produced."

"She told me she wanted to go on the stage," he said. "Go ahead, child. The family's been on the stage for years. Now I have opposition right on my own doorstep."

Diana declared that she intended to change her maiden name "so that we can see each other act."

"Perhaps after we do we may not be on speaking terms," retorted Barrymore.

Palestine Awards

The Military Cross has been awarded to Second-Lieutenant Vernon Cecil Warren Sudbury, 1st Battalion the Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment), for "great dash and initiative in leading his platoon" near Deir Hanna, Palestine, on August 18.

Private Thomas Alfred Smith, The Queen's Royal Regiment (West Surrey), has been awarded the Military Medal for gallant and distinguished services in Palestine.

Royal Air Force awards for gallant and distinguished services in Palestine are:

Distinguished Flying Cross—Flight-Lieut. Alfred Llewellyn Docking, Flying Officer Roy Broadard Langlois, Pilot Officer Mervyn Warren Runney.

Distinguished Flying Medal—Sergeant John Joseph Kavanagh, Leading Aircraftman Robert Alexander Haxton, Aircraftman, 1st Class Reginald Arthur Conway.

Details of Famous Exploit

THE British submarines Salmon and Ursula, whose exploits thrilled the country a few days ago, were in the news again recently.

Decorations and promotions for the commander of the Salmon and members of his crew were announced by the Admiralty. Earlier in the day the Ursula received an ovation when she returned to her base.

Lieutenant-Commander Edward Oscar Bickford, of the Salmon, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order. He has also been promoted to the rank of commander. The third Naval D.S.O. of the war, Commander Bickford is a 30-year-old bachelor, whose home is at Warrash, near Southampton.

The Admiralty announcement states: "Lieut.-Commander Bickford was in command of his Majesty's submarine Salmon during a brilliant war patrol in which she succeeded in totally destroying an enemy submarine and torpedoing at least one enemy cruiser."

Other awards to officers and men of the Salmon are:

Distinguished Service Cross

Lieut. Maurice Fairfax Wykehuin-Martin, First Lieutenant and Torpedo Officer.

Lieut. Robin Hugh Mayliss Hancock.

Mr. Owen Felton Lancaster, War-rant Engineer.

Distinguished Service Medal

Petty-Officer William George Taylor, Submarine Gunner.

Petty-Officer Thomas Henry Worsfold, Torpedo Gunner's Mate.

Engine-room Artificer Norman James Hill.

Petty-Officer Telegraphist Kenneth Barron.

Chief Electrical Artificer William Arthur Lushmore.

Leading Signaller Edward Whit-taker.

Leading Stoker Walter Baugh.

Stocker 1st Class George Cawthra.

In addition to Commander Bickford's promotion the following received immediate advancement.

Petty-Officer Taylor, to Chief Petty-Officer.

Petty-Officer Worsfold, to Chief Petty-Officer.

Engine-room Artificer Hill, to Chief Engine-room Artificer.

Petty-Officer Telegraphist Barron, two years' seniority.

Chief Electrical Artificer Lushmore, to Chief Electrical Artificer 1st Class.

Spared The Bremen

The Salmon was the submarine which led the Bremen go because she could not have sunk Germany's crack liner without infringing international law.

She had previously destroyed a U-boat soon after reaching her patrol area in the North Sea.

Less than 24 hours after the passing of the Bremen the Salmon sighted a number of German warships, and fired six torpedoes.

The Admiralty announcement refers to "at least one" cruiser. In fact, it is understood that not only was the light cruiser Leipzig torpedoed, but that the heavy cruiser Blücher was damaged by another torpedo.

The twelve awards apply to the "key men" on duty at the time of the exploits.

The 28 men who did not figure in the list of awards may subsequently have their service certificates noted and be listed for quicker promotion as occasion arises.

Mother "So Proud"

Commander Bickford, who is at his home for a few days, received first news of his D.S.O. and promotion when a reporter telephoned to his mother.

"That is splendid. It is really marvellous," she exclaimed. "I am so proud."

He is only 30, and I believe that there is normally no promotion to the rank of commander until the age of 33. I must really go and tell him."

Twenty-seven young but bearded sailors, the crew of the Ursula, which torpedoed and sank a German cruiser of the Kola class in the mouth of the River Elbe, reached their base.

The Ursula is commanded by 27-year-old Lieut.-Commander George Christian Phillips, who is married. His wife and young son are in Australia, where they went on a holiday shortly before the outbreak of war.

New Zealand Register

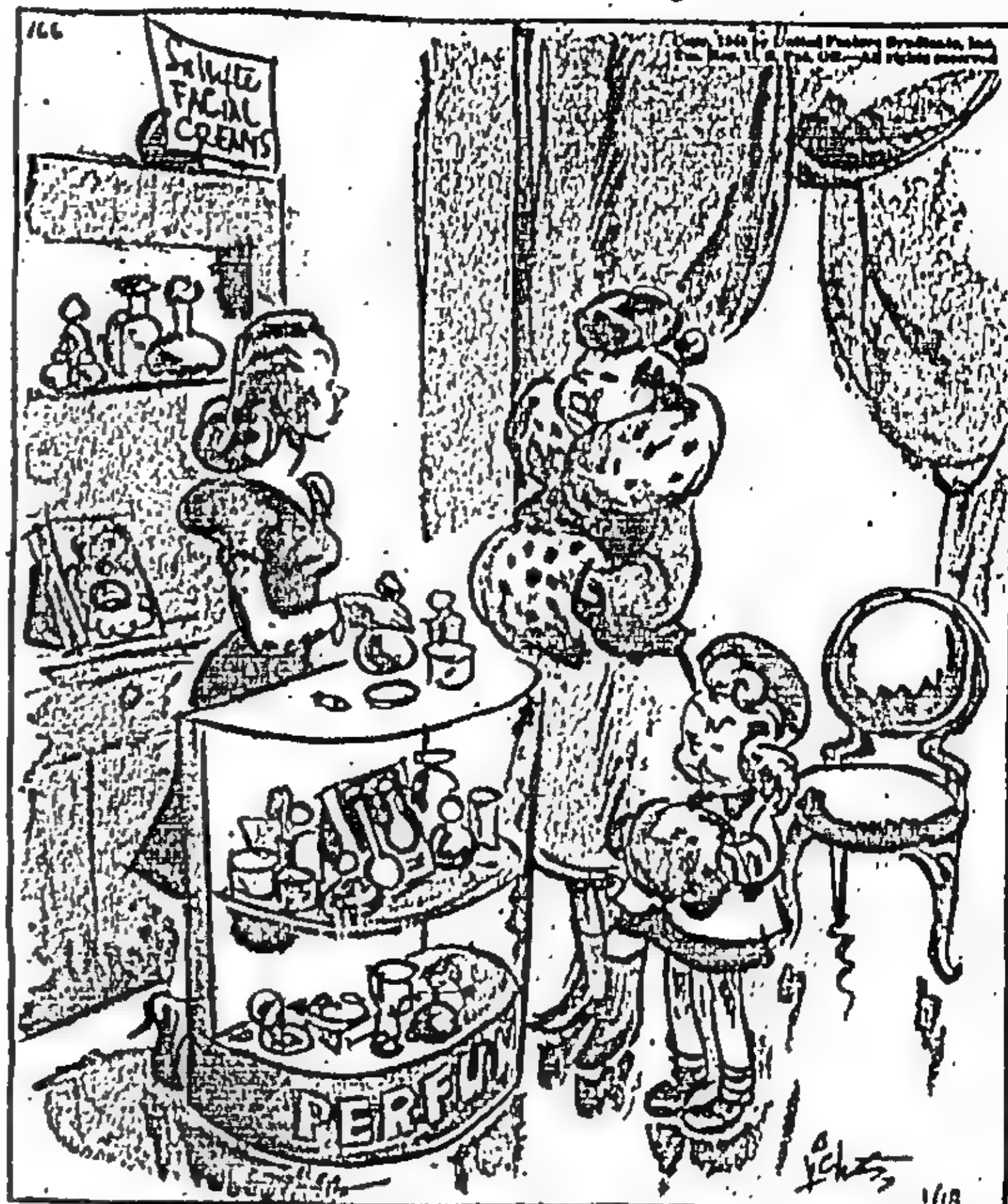
Wellington, Feb. 13.

The establishment of a national register as part of the general scheme for surveying New Zealand's manpower was announced by Mr. P. Fraser, deputy Prime Minister, in opening a recruiting drive conference. He said that while a great deal has been done it could not be claimed that the maximum effort had yet been put forward. The need was felt for national co-ordination and co-operation.

Mr. Fraser reaffirmed the Government's policy of voluntary enlistment. —Reuter Bulletin.

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Why the Reds are Falling Fast

Ogpu Olga weeps at wicked Finn spies

By JONAH BARRINGTON
(Listening to the radio war)

Why isn't the Red Army mopping up Finland?
"SPIES!" hisses OGPU Olga of Moscow.
"We have unearthed a ghastly net of spies!"

Where are the villains working?
"IN TERIJOKI," hisses OGPU Olga of Moscow—"in the Finnish town now glorified as the seat of the People's Democratic Government."

Who is behind this dirty double dealing?
"The man entrusted with the holy task of building the new Socialist Finland," sobs OGPU Olga. "He has betrayed the workers."

And the result?
"The progress of our glorious Red Army has been hindered by secret military information sent to those dogs of humanity that profess to represent the Finnish people."

What now Olga?

So now you know. Your spindleg-legged, short-sighted, shiny-nosed Mentor from Moscow (known to friends as the Microphone Magpie) has confessed all. The Red Army is held up—not because it is inefficient, badly led, badly provisioned, not because the Finns are putting up the fight of their lives—but because some anonymous Rasputin is selling secrets to the enemy. Well, well...

And what now, Olga?

"Now—now the workers are powerful! This traitor who hinders the liberation of the Finnish people must cease to exist!"

"The OGPU will strike at once—and it will strike HARD!" (Boyl! Put that microphone out of striking distance before OGPU Olga forgets her-



OGPU OLGA
(alias Microphone Magpie)

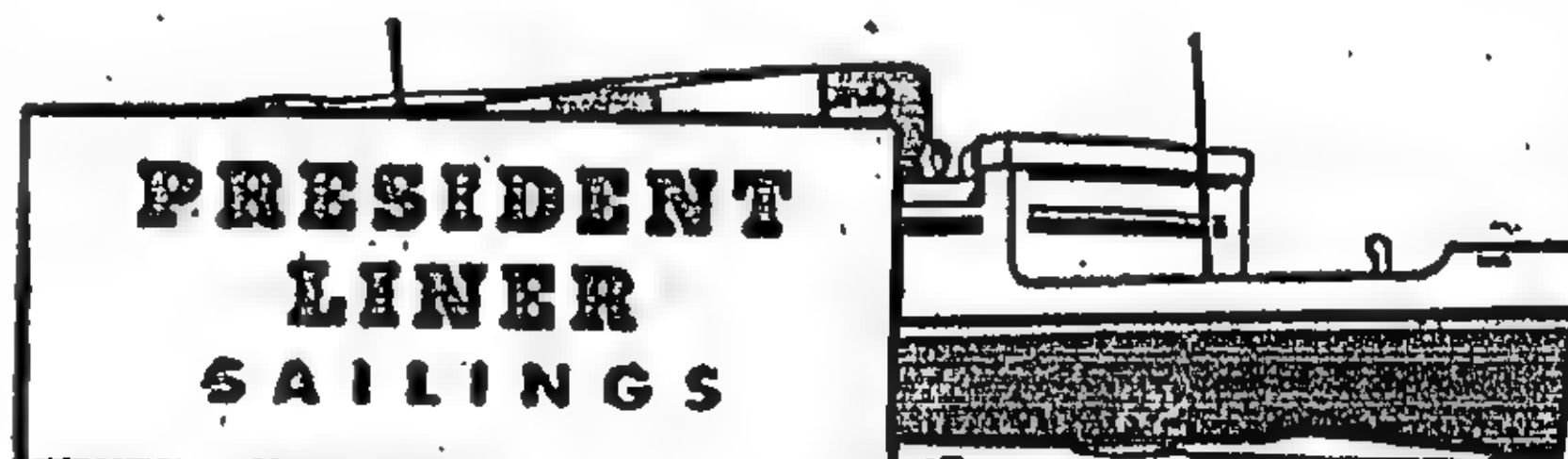
Haw - Haw Always Says 'Haw - Haw'

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has at last associated himself with the name I bestowed upon him on September 16, 1939, writes Jonah Barrington.

Speaking in the 10.30 p.m. bulletin, he said: "Great Britain is still firm in the grip of the old school tie system. Whenever you meet a friend in England you are always told what public school he attended."

"When I am asked this question myself," continued Zeezen's monocled announcer, "I always reply: 'Haw-haw! I was at Borsdal.'"



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In the forward turret sat the bow gunner, and, in the tail, another gunner sat, a solitary sentinel protecting the plane from attack in the rear.

As the plane zoomed onward, the navigator sat busily plotting the course while the wireless operator, ears alert, kept vigil.

"Try and get Mr. Middleton," chaffed the gunner, and "Sparks" grinned. He was seeking less friendly sounds than that!

"Nothing from our side, of course, sir. Wireless silence was ordered. There's a spot of activity from German station A22, but it's all in code."

"H'm... we'll be there in an hour at our present speed," remarked the pilot. "Gunner, buck in the tail in half an hour! Meanwhile, you can let up!"

Below the sea lay calm and still; nothing broke the monotony of its surface. Steadily the plane followed its course. Suddenly a ship was seen below.

"Destroyer ahead, sir," reported the bomb-aimer.

"Ours or theirs?" snapped back the pilot.

THROUGH the window the pilot and the observer gazed down at the destroyer. Sailors were crowding round the signal light.

"They're sending a message," said the pilot. "Get it."

Swiftly the bomb-aimer's pencil moved across his pad. As he wrote, he smiled.

"There you are, sir," he said, and showed the pilot the pad. On it were the words "Good luck!"

It was getting near zero hour. Intently the pilot handled his controls, with the navigator close at his elbow.

Action was near and there was an air of tense expectancy in the plane. The bomb-aimer moved into position and the wireless operator went forward. There was no need for wireless now... his job was at a gun-turret.

"After course to 110 degrees," called the navigator.

"Okay!" called back the pilot. "I'm going down to a hundred feet for the run into the coast!"

Down the plane swooped, like some giant hawk sighting its prey. Below lay the coastline,

coming closer and closer as the speed of the plane increased.

The pilot looked below. There was a sparkle in his eye, a look of anticipation that boded ill for the Nazis!

"Hullo, bit of excitement down there," and he jerked his head downwards. The R.A.F. Armada flashed onwards.

"Yes," replied the navigating officer. "Ship's crew's bathing!"

The pilot's lips creased in a smile. "They can't have expected us!"

Suddenly, in a voice vibrant with excitement, the pilot yelled: "There she is!"

FAR below lay the Kiel Canal, the object of their trip. It lay, a tempting target with ships resting, unsuspecting the hell that was about to be let loose.

"Signal—line astern" came a voice.

From the plane the Vercy pistol spoke and the light from the pistol flashed through the air.

"Right, here we go," called the pilot. His hand flicked down the switches, while the bomb aimer watched, taut and alert. Down scudded the plane.

"Right," snapped the bomb aimer. "Steady."

Again the plane dipped, rearing through the sky. The bomb aimer's hand hovered over a switch.

And down from the plane, straight as a die, a grim ambassador of death, fell the first bomb.

It hit the sea with thunderous force, exploding near the battleship and swirling the ocean into an angry crescendo of fury.

The dull roar of the explosion resounded through the plane as it swooped upwards on its non-stop flight. Another bomb fell, still closer this time, and again a giant swirl of water was flung up like a ferocious fountain.

Across the decks of the battleship rushed frantic sailors as death rained so suddenly from the skies. Another bomb left the hatch down down with unerring accuracy, it hit the battleship and a sudden roar told that the bomb had found its mark.

"We've hit him," snapped the pilot suddenly, and the bomb-aimer gave the "Thumbs Up" signal. Below, the grey ocean tossed amid the smoke and debris around the ship.

Suddenly there came the swift venomous snarl of machine-gun fire, cracking across the sky.

"Hey, stop on it," rapped out the navigating officer, "you've got a Messerschmitt on your tail!"

Cutting through the sky came a Nazi plane, hurtling towards the British invader, prepared for a death duel, eager to take toll of the plane that had smashed the Nazi battleship.

An answering hail of machine-gun fire burst from the back of the British plane.

The sky was alight with the flash of machine-gun fire. The pilot and navigating officer were straining every fibre of their bodies, every nerve to outwit the enemy.

And still from the Messerschmitt came this stream of death, while the British plane gave back fierce, grim answer. . . . And through



the skies the planes returned in quiet triumph.

DOWN on to the landing field the planes came, one by one to bump with slowing propellers over the rough turf and finally to come to rest.

One by one hatches in their stomachs opened and legs appeared, then ungainly figures in zip-fastener suits with all the bulk and paraphernalia of parachutes and wireless cords.

A moment of inert relaxation and then the exhausted stripping off of unwieldiness.

A stroke of the hair. A silent whistle of relief. A smile. A cigarette. A rather shamefaced handshake.

A tired flip of the finger to a friend. A sudden violent embarrassment at the discovery of cameramen, photographers, all set for hero-worship, and a quick bolt for the privacy of the mess.

That is how the real heroes of the Kiel Raid came home.

AS though he had all the time in the world to spare, a shabby individual strolled along a dock-side and paused at a sailor's elbow.

"Har ni en tanstiks" he muttered.

"What's that?" growled the sailor.

"A match," urged the shabby stranger. He leaned close to the sailor, and, cupping his hand to guard the flickering flame, he muttered: "Activity at Pirate Squadron A22."

The sailor nodded briefly, and the stranger shuffled into the night.

Throwing his cigarette stub away, the sailor boarded his ship and made his way to the wireless operator's cabin. "Activity at Pirate Squadron A22. Code Group X74479." The operator nodded, scribbled on his pad and got to work.

Britain's under-cover men had made the first move in thwarting a threatened Nazi raid.

Meanwhile, unconscious that their plans were already suspected, a score of Nazi pilots stood, erect and grim, as their commanding officer harangued them in swift, harsh tones.

That night was to see an attack on the accursed shores of Britain, yet no enthusiasm for the adven-

ture ahead could be seen in those sullen faces.

The iron heel of discipline held them rigid as their Commander rapped out his final instructions. As the officer finished his tirade the pilots clicked heels. "Heil, Hitler!" they snapped, turning to the portrait of the Fuehrer that brooded from the wall. Then they filed out to the waiting planes.

MEANWHILE, in Britain, activity was rife. Into the telephone the Chief of Air Staff jerked his orders: "I've just received information that an enemy attack is expected to-night. Raise balloon barrage."

Hidden somewhere in Britain is an organisation known as Fighter Command, whence the entire defence of the British Isles against air attack is directed.

Here is a miracle of organisation. Telephonists receive messages and reports from every post in the country.

On a huge table is a map of the Eastern half of Britain, the North Sea and the German coast, and the map is divided into three sections, Southern Group, Midland Group, and Northern Group. It is the nerve centre of Britain's defence system and that night it was a hive of activity.

"To-night's the night!" . . . the brief message was passed from lip to lip and mouths tightened grimly and eyes sparkled with eager anticipation.

Huddled in a bush by the side of a wood sat three civilian observers.

"To think that for years I've wanted a dark room for developing, and now that every room in the house is dark, I'm stuck out here in the bushes listening to the birds!" grumbled one with a good-humoured snort.

"Listening for them!" retorted his colleague. Suddenly the phone buzzed. "Hullo, yes, sir?"

A pause, then to his friends, "They expect 'em to-night!"

Northern Group, Midland Group, Southern Group . . . all were ready to give the invaders a warm welcome. And, hidden in the darkness, sat British pilot, waiting for the word to take off.

Through the night zoomed the Nazi planes, and in the interior of the Fighter Command alert eyes and ears were awaiting their coming.

Suddenly the air became electric. The Air Officer Commander-in-Chief urgently summoned the Southern Group. "Raiders 1 and 2 are entering your area. Carry on and deal with them."

"Yes, sir," replied the Group Controller. He turned to another phone. "Braxted?"

Wing Commander Ralph Richardson replied. He listened intently. "O.K." Then gave his orders. "A Flight 299." It was zero hour.

WITH the enthusiasm of small boys let out of school earlier than they expected, the pilots waiting near their Spitfires leapt into action.

Propellers started to turn. Bobby fastened his parachute to his back, adjusted his goggles, and half-grinned at the other pilots who were to share the danger ahead.

Then he hopped nimbly into the cockpit of his plane, waved cheerily to the boys of the ground staff, and scudded off into the darkness.

"Flight A air-borne," reported the telephone operator to Richardson. "O.K." replied Ralph. "Put B. Flight at readiness."

High in the heavens the Spitfires were flashing towards a death duel. "Cornflower Red calling station control," snapped Bobby into his radio.

"Cornflower Red 80 degrees—2,000 feet a minute—speed 180," replied Richardson.

Again Bobby spoke into his microphone, this time to the pilot in the plane next to him. "O.K. Ted?"

"Right with you, 'bub!'" replied Ted, chewing more fiercely at his gum.

"O.K. Dopey?" called Bob. The pilot in the third Spitfire sat gazing into space, his face devoid of all emotion. Those that didn't know Dopey for a sky daredevil with a nerve of iron might have thought that he was falling asleep at his controls. "Hey, Dopey are you O.K.?"

Dopey jerked to sudden realisation. "What? Good Lord, yes . . . O.K. . . . all serene!"

Bobby grinned. He knew his Dopey.

"O.K. Gang—let's go!" yelled Bobby with a whoop of pure excitement.

Nearer came the Nazi bombers. Down below in Fighter Command every movement of the enemy was being noted on the giant action map. At the Fighter Station Richardson steadily stuck at his radio navigating the air-knights above.

"Five hundred six miles south-west," he rapped out to Bobby way up in the skies. The Spitfires circled, never losing speed. "Should be any minute now," muttered Richardson.

Suddenly Bobby's jaw tightened. "Here they are, boys. No. 1 Attack. . . . Go!"

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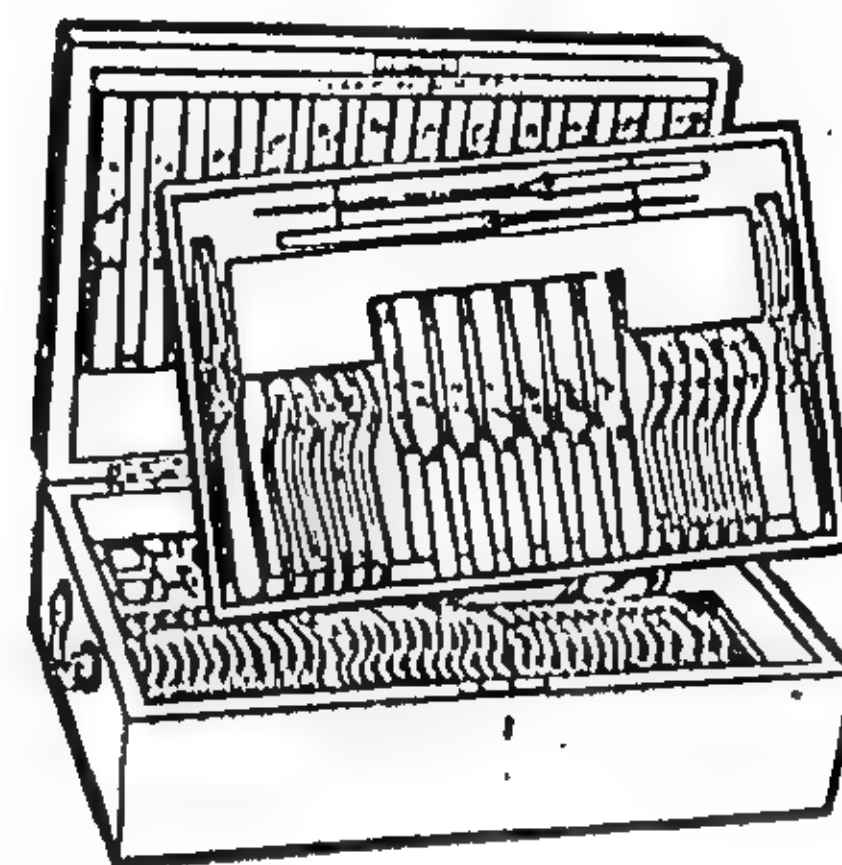
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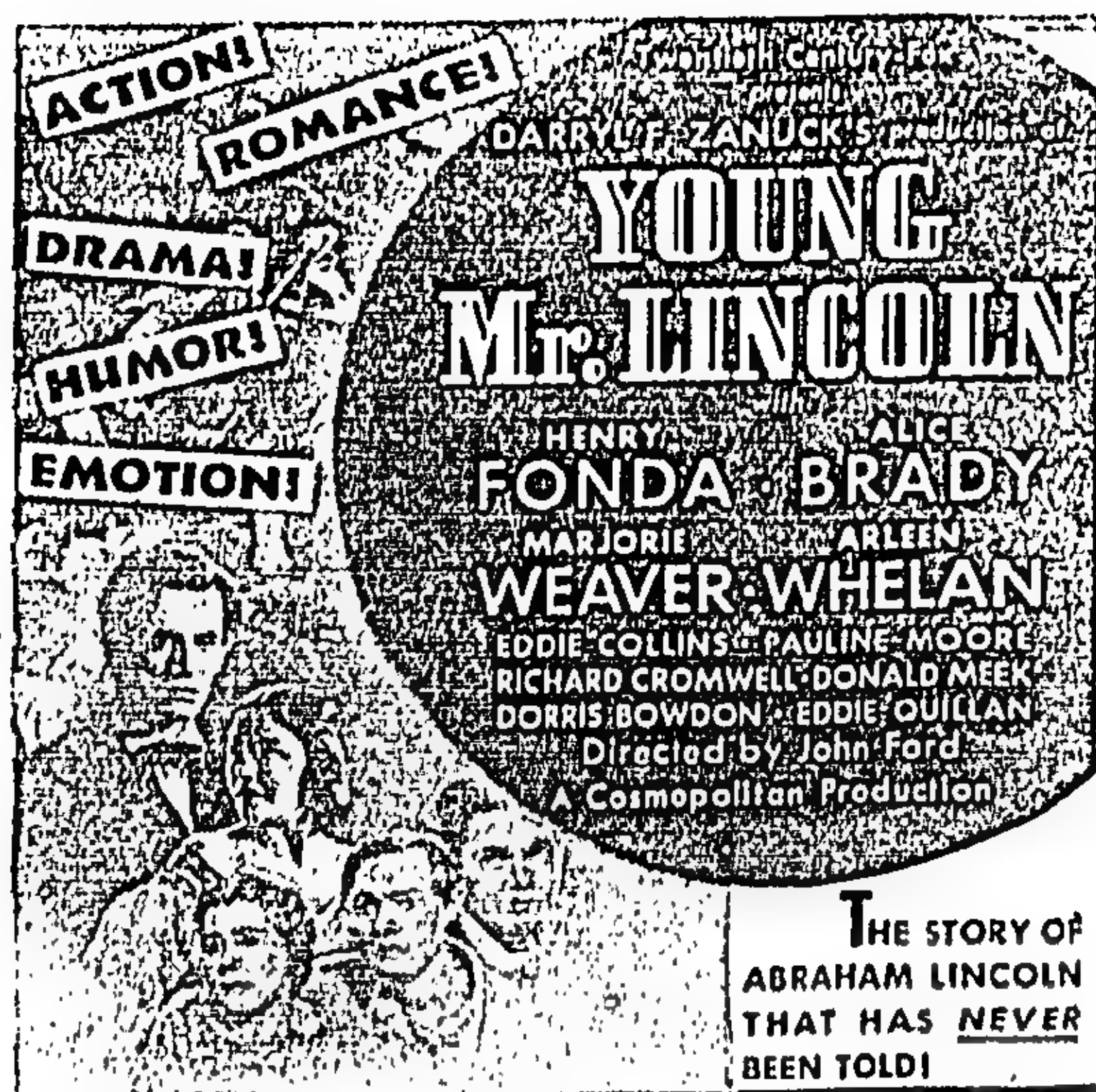
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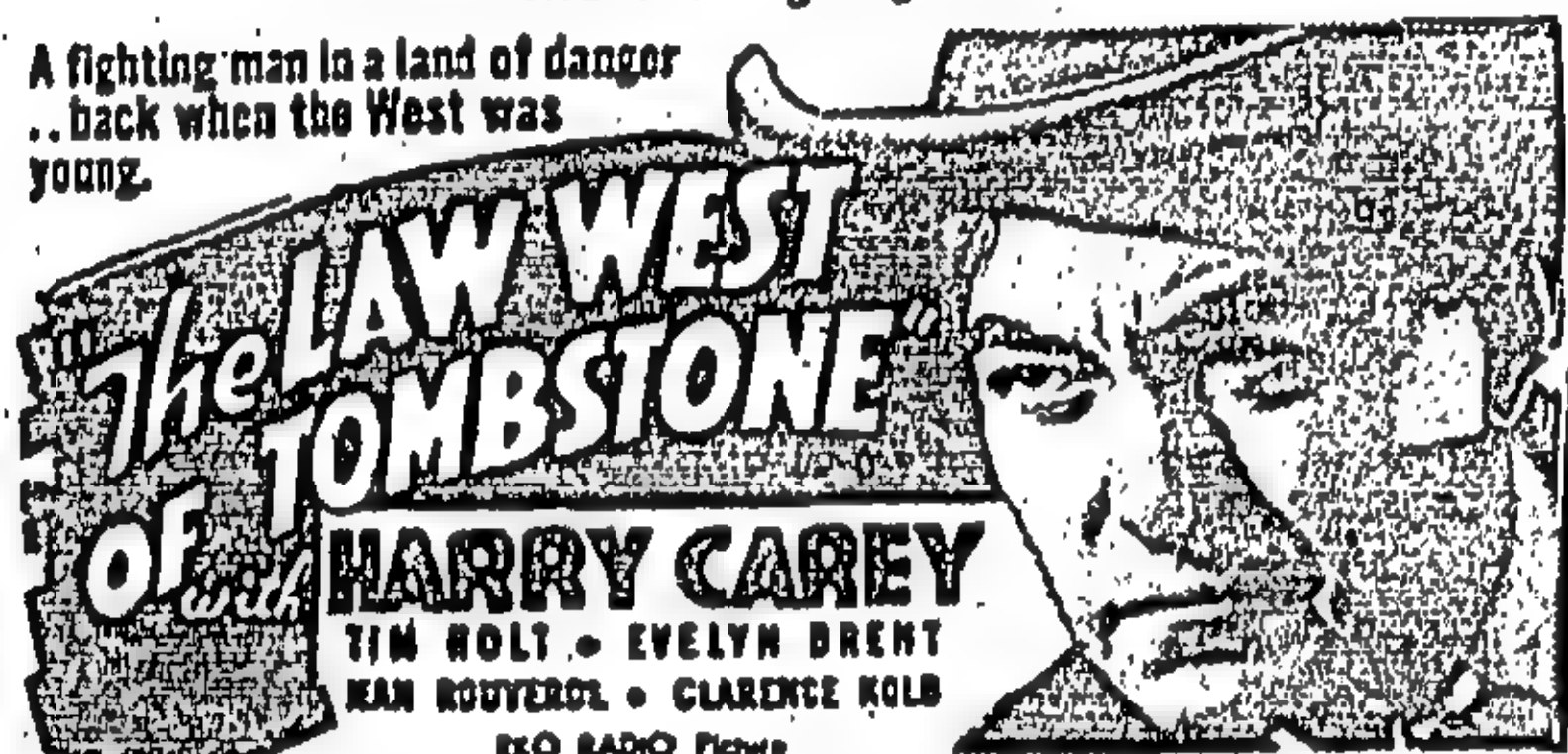
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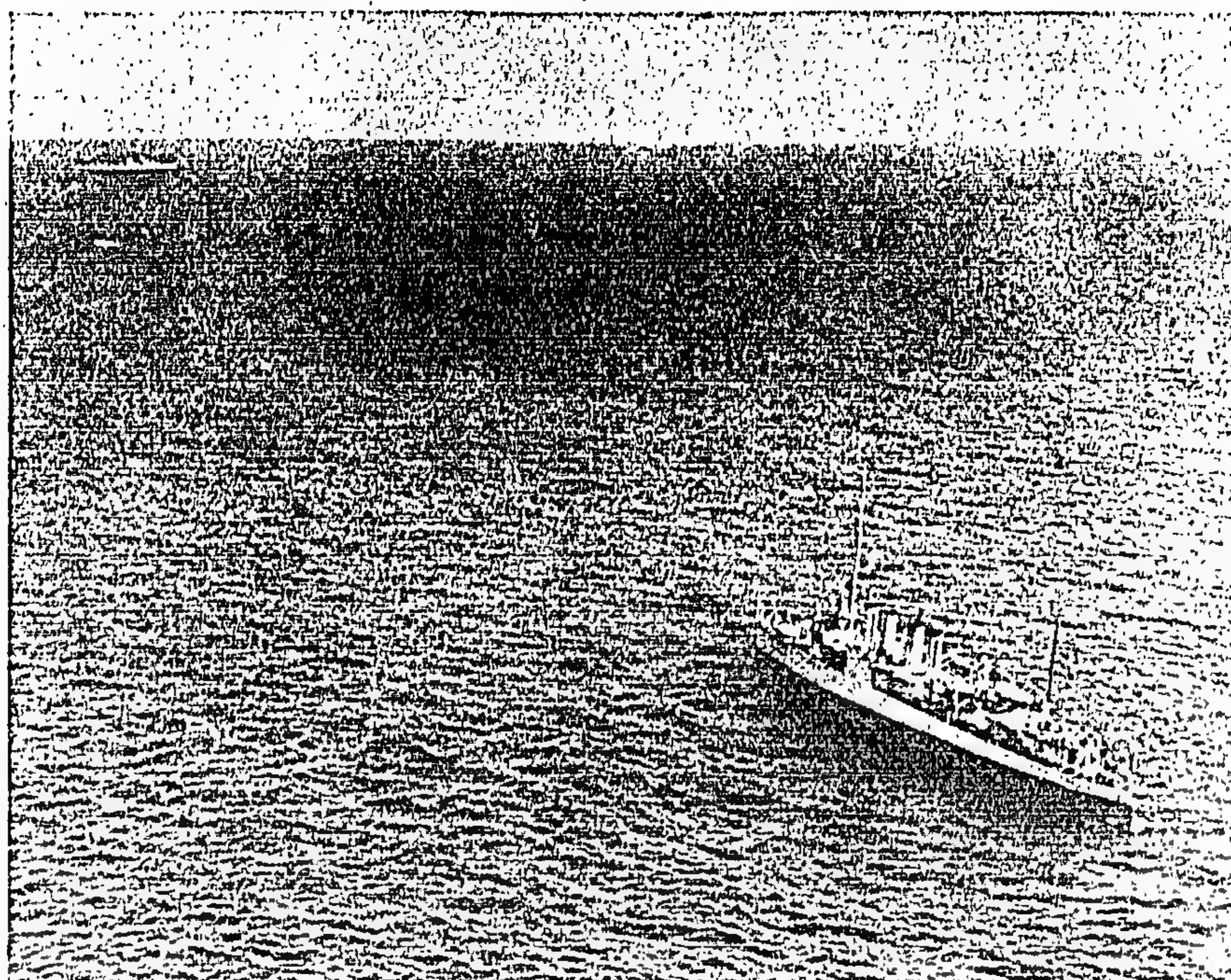
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Son Returns After 15 Years

LONDON.—Mrs. W. Gifford, of Mount Pleasant, Romsey, Hampshire, opened her door to a Canadian soldier. "Well, don't you know me?" he said. It took Mrs. Gifford a few seconds to recognise her son. They had not met for 15 years. The soldier Sapper William Gifford, of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, has an 18-year-old son in the Canadian Air Force.

Stalin Releases Polish Royalty: Italy's Request

WARSAW.—Through intervention of King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Elena of Italy, Prince Janusz Radziwill and 21 other members of the Radziwill family have been released by Soviet Russia and allowed to return to the Polish capital.

The Italian royal family is distantly related to the Radziwills. When the war broke out, Prince Radziwill was at his estate at Olyka in Wolynia which he converted into a hospital and refuge home. Among others, former President Moscicki of Poland sought refuge there.

Prince Radziwill and his family were arrested by the Russians when they seized Eastern Poland and, for a time, rumours circulated that he had been shot.

Most of the women and children were taken to Shepetovka. Among them were a daughter of Prince Radziwill, Christine Potocki, with her children. Her husband, Count Joseph Potocki, was on the Polish Embassy Staff in London for three years.

Prince Radziwill himself was taken to Moscow and other male members of the family were held in other parts of the Soviet Union. Women members of the family had to live in a room, but, on their return to Warsaw, they spoke without bitterness of their experiences.

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HITLER AND BISMARCK

Goebbels Makes A Comparison

BERLIN, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—"The world will have to understand that the present war is a fundamental conflict between the German social state and British plutocracy," declared Dr. Goebbels in a speech to Nazi propaganda lecturers. "What Frederick the Great began and Bismarck continued now matures of fulfillment. "National Socialism had to choose between capitulation before Britain and thus abandoning a historic mission, or facing up to London's attack." Earlier in the speech, Goebbels declared that it was impossible to differentiate between public opinion and the views officially expressed. "A Government could not give assurances of neutrality and at the same time permit any journalistic excess against the German people and leaders."

LATE NEWS

ANOTHER ONE SCUTTLED

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is reported that the German cargo-ship, Wolfburg, 6,000 tons, has been scuttled off the north coast of Brazil.

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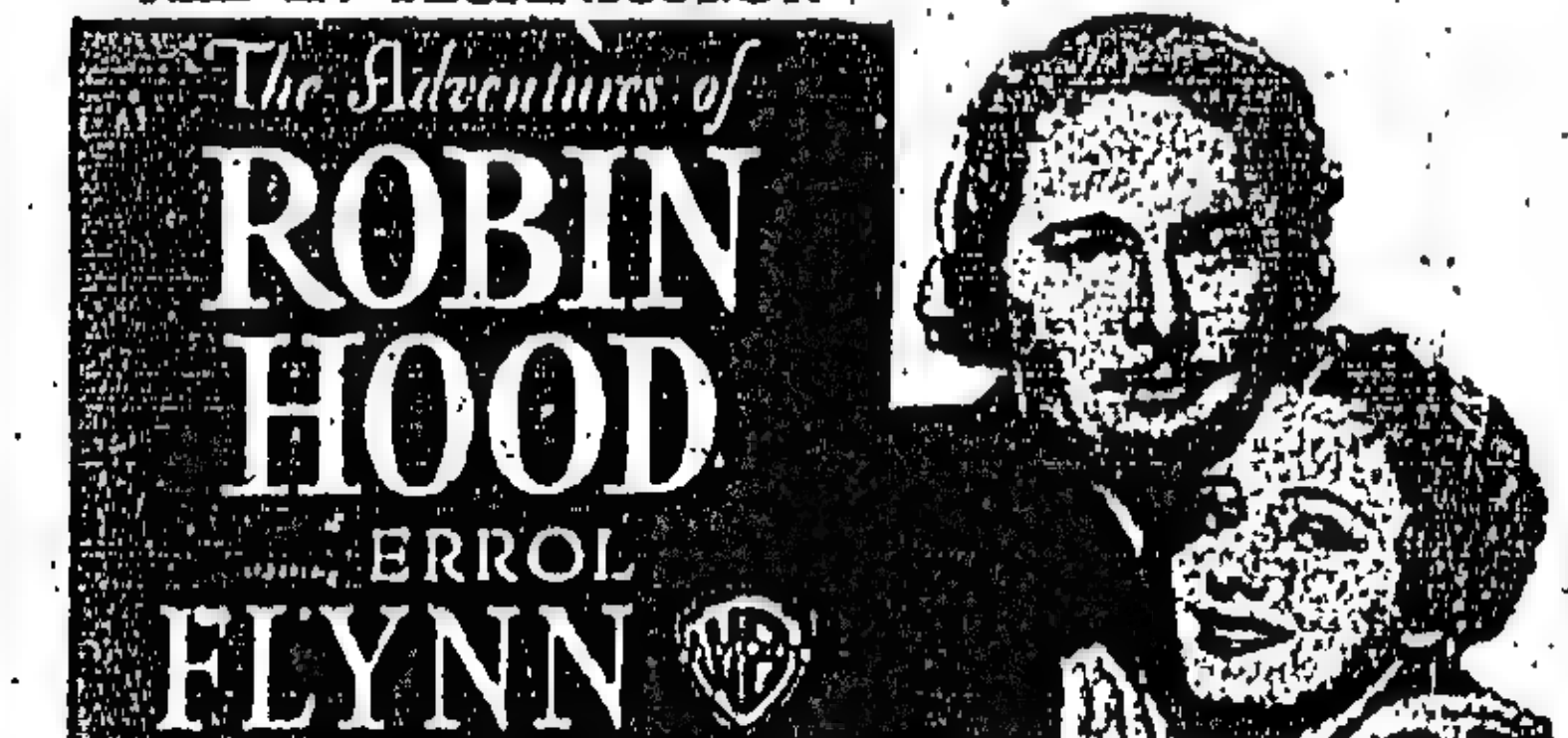


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FINNS HOLD OUT

Reds Pierce Lines, But Finns Regain All Lost Positions

By EDWARD BEATTIE
UNITED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT

WITH THE FINNISH ARMIES ON THE KARELIAN ISTHMUS, FEB. 14 (UP).—WHILE SOBER-EYED CROWDS GATHERED OUTSIDE NEWSPAPER OFFICES IN THE STREETS OF VIBORG, HELSINGFORS AND OTHER CITIES THROUGHOUT FINLAND, ANXIOUSLY SCANNING THE NEWS BULLETINS FOR THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE FRONT, THE GREATEST BATTLE THE WORLD HAS KNOWN SINCE THE GREAT WAR OF 1914-18 BEGAN ITS THIRTEENTH DAY, WITH THE FINNS DESPERATELY HOLDING OUT AGAINST ODDS SO OVERWHELMING THAT THEIR CONTINUED DEFENCE IS SUPERHUMAN IN ENDURANCE, COURAGE AND STUBBORNNESS.

Rumours ran like wild-fire through Helsingfors last night that the Russian hordes had broken through the Finns' outer Mannerheim Line defences at several points.

POSITIONS. RECAPTURED

It was confirmed that the Finns had been forced to abandon eighteen machine-gun pill-boxes in face of the terrific Red pressure, in a constant series of bayonet attacks in which the Finnish man-power was outnumbered fifty to one.

But, in the most gallant action it has ever been my privilege to report, the Finns have recaptured nearly all of these posts after vicious hand-to-hand fighting in which they abandoned rifles and bayonets in order to slash down their opponents with their ugly short four-inch knives.

This morning, the Finnish lines are everywhere intact.

NO SLEEP FOR FORTNIGHT

When I visited Finnish G.H.Q. I spoke to officials still confident of the ultimate outcome of the battle. They are red-eyed through lack of sleep, unshaven and gaunt through thirteen days of relentless vigil.

But they are confident. "Everywhere," the spokesman assured me, "our men are holding on."

The Summa front is intact, despite fighting which has been of a greater intensity than anything the world has known since 1918.

Shortly afterwards Field Marshal Mannerheim, Finland's great Commander-in-Chief after whom the Mannerheim Line behind Summa is named, issued his official communique, confirming the reports that the Finn lines were intact.

His communique claims that the Russian losses before Summa now total 40,000 men.

Two hundred Red tanks have been destroyed. One is a 70-ton land battleship.

MIRACLE OF SUMMA

MARSHAL MANNERHEIM'S COMMUNIQUE REFERS TO THE FINNISH DEFENCE AS "THE MIRACLE OF SUMMA."

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"From end to end the Summa front measures only 10½ miles."

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"In this sector alone, the Russians have expended half a million shells daily for over a week."

"The world has not witnessed such an intense bombardment since the Battle of the Somme and the Defence of Verdun."

Two Armies Locked In Decisive War To Death

WITH THE FINNISH ARMIES ON THE KARELIAN ISTHMUS, FEB. 13 (UP).—The struggle over the blood-stained show in front of Summa wore into its twelfth day of constant fighting with Russian men and machines still clinging desperately against the Finnish line.

"Sink On Sight" Orders To U-Boat Commanders GERMANY DECLARES WAR ON NEUTRAL SHIPPING



GOEBBELS

BERLIN, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—As Nazi U-Boats to-day torpedoed another two neutral ships, Dr. Goebbels, Germany's loud-mouthed propaganda chief, announced unrestricted warfare on all ships, irrespective of nationality, using British ports.

"Any ship, irrespective of its nationality, automatically renders itself liable to be sunk without warning if it touches at an Allied port," he declared.

Goebbels warned neutral States that they must maintain neutrality according to the Nazi interpretation.

Attacks by the neutral Press on Germany or German leaders would be interpreted as an unneutral act, he declared.

Dr. Goebbels' declaration has been amplified by an official statement issued by the Wilhelmstrasse to-day.

The statement declares that any neutral ship consenting to be diverted to an English port for contraband control purposes will be sunk by German naval units, regardless of whether the ship is bound to neutral or belligerent ports.

The statement follows closely on the sinking of the Holland-America liner Burgerdijk off the south-west coast of England, whilst en route from Rotterdam to a neutral port with a wholly-Dutch cargo.

Berlin quotes Paragraph III of the German Rules as justification for this decision.

Neutrals Aroused
LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Neutral comment is becoming increasingly bitter about the Nazi campaign against shipping.

Bitter comments in Scandinavian and Swedish newspapers emphasise Mr. Chamberlain's statement that not one neutral ship has been sunk by the Allies.

The Netherlands press is also bitter, and Dutch indignation has been expressed.

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Two Ships Scuttled As Nazi Armada Flees

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 14 (UP).—Approximately fifteen German freighters and passenger liners, their holds crammed with cargoes valued at over £7,500,000, have simultaneously left various neutral ports in a desperate attempt to gain sanctuary in Germany.

They are apparently acting on orders from Berlin.

Before them lies hazardous voyages through a cordon of warships which are blockading Germany from the Russian Arctic in the North to Africa in the south.

Two have already met with disaster and, in obedience to Hitler's orders of "scuttle rather than submit to capture," have been sent to the bottom by their crews.

Valuable Cargo
The 3,800-ton Wakama (formerly the Odin) was intercepted by aircraft from H.M.S. Hawkins and was scuttled even before the arrival of the British cruiser. She had aboard 6,500 tons of grain, coffee, leather, lard, minerals and cotton.

The 6,200-ton Hanna freighter Wolfsburg was intercepted a few hours later and was also scuttled. She, too, was loaded to the brim with a valuable cargo of grain, cotton and minerals.

The crew of the Wakama were picked up by H.M.S. Hawkins. The crew of the Wolfsburg have also been saved by a British naval unit.

Both ships were among nine which left South American ports this week in an attempt to run the British blockade.

British naval units, using reconnaissance seaplanes, are now searching the Atlantic for the remainder.

Hitler's decision to instruct German liners to depart from neutral ports is believed to have been prompted by the rapidly mounting bills Germany is receiving for harbour dues for the 400 German liners scattered throughout the world.

In addition to the nine ships which have left South American ports, five are reported to have made a midnight dash from the Vigo River in Spain.

Wolfsburg Scuttled
LONDON, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—Another of the German ships which left Brazil in an attempt to break the British blockade has been scuttled.

She is the 6,200-ton Wolfsburg, built in 1918 and owned by "Hansa" and registered at Bremen.

She was intercepted by a British naval unit and was set afire and scuttled by her crew.

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—According to the "Evening News," a

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AIR BASES IN ALASKA

American Defences
Strengthened

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Two new large aerodromes are to be built in Alaska, strengthening America's defences there.

They will help to make it more impregnable to foreign attack, besides providing important data on military aviation in Sub-Arctic climates.

The first base, north of Anchorage, will be 1,000 acres in area and will include hangars, sheds, hospitals, workshops and so on. Money for this has already been set aside.

The other air base will be south of Anchorage and will be 1,400 acres in area.

No appropriation for this has yet been made.

GERMAN ESPIONAGE

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—A prominent German resident in Mexico has been arrested for alleged espionage.

He was detained when found photographing a Swedish tanker.

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Further Late News

SPITFIRES CHASE OFF
RAIDER OVER THAMES

LONDON, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that three Air Force fighters dived 14,000 feet in pursuit of a Heinkel raider off the mouth of the Thames Estuary last evening.

Daylight was fading when British Spitfires sighted a raider who immediately began a twisting dive towards the clouds.

The Spitfires followed, firing in turn as they dived.

As fast as the raider eluded the fire of one, another took up the attack.

Although visibility was very poor, several bursts of fire took effect.

The raider was last seen heading earthward into a cloud of darkness.

New Demands On Baltic States

LONDON, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—The "Daily Mail," in spite of the Latvian declaration to the contrary, reports that both Estonia and Latvia have received demands from Russia for provision of further bases for military operations against Finland.

"We have no right to cherish the illusion that everything will turn out for the best," declared Karlis Ulmanis, President and Prime Minister of Latvia, when broadcasting a warning that 1940 would be a difficult year.

"Requirements for national defence are increasing every day and when the decisive hour comes, at least one man in each home will have to don a uniform," he continued.

"Everyone must have his equipment ready. I bid each of you to look to this."

"If money is lacking for such a purpose, those who have money must help those who have not."

Situation Very Grave
"If the situation were not very grave I would not touch on such matters."

"We will strengthen the defences of our country but the population must be ready to make great sacrifices in the near future."

"It would also be wise for you to put aside enough supplies of bread and food to last a year."

"Nothing is lost for the moment but it would be wise for everyone to prepare himself," he concluded.

Authoritative quarters here say that no new demand have been received by Latvia from Russia.

KENNEDY FOR
PRESIDENCY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador to Britain, told newspapermen that he would make a statement later as to whether he would permit the use of his name in the Massachusetts Presidential Primary election on May 30.

Nomination papers for delegates to the National Convention who would be pledged to Mr. Kennedy have been taken out by Attorney John McCarthy, according to a Boston telegram.

Mr. McCarthy said that Mr. Kennedy would file the necessary authorisation to enter his name before the final date, March 5.

FINN LINE HAMMERED

Reds Army Receives
Reinforcements

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Yesterday was the 12th day of the Soviet attack on the Mannerheim Line.

The increased intensity of the attack shows that the Soviets have received reinforcements and are relying on the pressure of tanks, guns and infantry to overwhelm the Finns through exhaustion.

The Soviets claim to have captured 32 defence forts in the Karelian Isthmus. This is denied by the Finns.

In the far north heavy snow has held up operations but Soviet planes have bombed Finnish positions.

To-day's Finnish communique states:

"Russian attacks continued during February 12 with undiminished force in the Summa sector."

"At Muolajaervi, Punnus and Taipale, the attacks were driven back and Finnish troops undertook numerous successful counter-attacks. At least 23 tanks were put out of action. The fighting continues."

"North of Lake Ladoga, all Russian attacks were driven back and at Pikkaranta the greater part of an enemy column of 100 vehicles was destroyed."

Aerial Combats
"During February 12, the Finnish air force participated in air combats and in addition carried out reconnaissance flights, besides bombing enemy columns and bases."

"In the war zone, the enemy concentrated air activity on the front line and its immediate vicinity, over the Isthmus, and north of Lake Ladoga."

"Finnish fighters and anti-aircraft artillery shot down four enemy machines, according to confirmed reports, while in addition there are a number of unconfirmed cases."

Stab In The Back?
LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Professor Tancred Borenius, noted

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INWARD MAILS
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 7th Feb.

Canton Feb. 14.
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Canton Feb. 15.
Europe via Straits (London date, 8th Dec., 1939) Feb. 15.
Manila Feb. 15.
Straits Feb. 15.
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Australia and Manila Feb. 15.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 16th February Feb. 18.
Canton Feb. 18.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon Feb. 18.
Japan Feb. 18.
Hankow Feb. 19.
Japan Feb. 19.
Shanghai Feb. 20.
Straits Feb. 20.
Straits and Manila Feb. 20.

OUTWARD MAILS
Wednesday, Feb. 14

Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 22nd Feb.
K.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 14, 5.30 p.m.
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Reg. Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 14, 5 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th March—and London Parcels—due London, 20th March.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 15, 9.45 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 8th March.
G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 15, 9.30 a.m.

Thursday, Feb. 15
Canton 7.15 a.m.
Shanghai (Parcels only) 10.30 a.m.
Tientsin (Parcels only) 12.30 p.m.
Sandakan 12.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard 2.30 p.m.
Hankow 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Shanghai 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 16
Amoy 8.30 a.m.
Tours 8.30 a.m.
Japan 8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 26th February.
K.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 16, 5 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 16, 5 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 17
Shanghai and Japan 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 25th Feb.
G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Reg. Feb. 17, 5 p.m.
Ord. Feb. 17, 5.30 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 19
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Hankow 7.15 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta 11.00 a.m.
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager,
Hongkong, 25th January, 1940.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF Shareholders will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 15th February, 1940, at 11.00 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, 3rd February to Thursday, 15th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1940.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—
The Hon. General Secretary, H.K.S.P.C., Old City Hall,
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The Inspector, 52, Stone Nullah Lane, 2nd floor.
The Inspector, 12, Sai Yeung Choi St., Kowloon.
The Inspector, 52, Argyle St., Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society. The informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

Minorities Suffering Nazi Cruelty Is Exposed

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Further evidence of the way minorities are suffering under the Nazi heel is provided by an article in the "New York Times".

So much food has been taken from Bohemia and Moravia, it says, that there is now not enough wheat and rye remaining to provide food for the population. Stark hunger is their prospect.

Farmers are selling live-stock because there is no food stock. Nevertheless the Prague Cabinet has been ordered to provide 100,000 hogs by the spring although there is no food to feed them.

The production of butter and fat is only 12 per cent. of the normal. Nevertheless margarine factories must continue to ship definite amounts, all carefully wrapped in Russian paper, to bolster up the courage of the German consumer.

President Signs Defence Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt to-day signed a Bill appropriating \$252,000,000 (about £63,000,000) for national defence and enforcement of the United States neutrality policy.

The money becomes immediately available for expenditure before the end of June next.

STOCK EXCHANGE MORE QUIET

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was quieter, home rails encountering profit-taking. Industrials were irregular. Gilt-edged securities occasionally improved. Kaffirs were weak on small Cape sales. Wall Street was irregularly higher.

MANY INFANT DEATHS IN HONGKONG DUE TO MALNUTRITION, SAYS REPORT

ALTHOUGH food prices are comparatively low in Hongkong as compared with those prevailing in many other parts of the world, the average daily earnings of members of the labouring class are also low and rentals high for the standard of accommodation usually provided.

This reference to the Colony is made in a report on nutrition in the Colonial Empire issued by the Economic Advisory Council Committee on Nutrition.

DIGGERS WELCOMED

Frenzied Cheers For Anzac Contingents

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Feb. 13 (UP).—The frenzied cheers which greeted the arrival of the Anzacs in Egypt echoed throughout Britain to-day. The Australian New Zealand gesture is accepted as a new flip to the British Empire's united war endeavour.

Already accustomed to the jovial Canadian troops, Britain as a whole has heartily endorsed Capt. Anthony Eden's message to the boys from "Down Under" that "by your action in crossing the seas you have sent the bravest message a nation's power can give."

"Nations of the great Commonwealth are now closely knit in a common endeavour and in their unity, by the certainty of final victory and the assurance of better things to come."

While the number of yesterday's arrivals in Egypt is still an official mystery, Suez harbour is reported to be dotted with the swaying masts of convoys.

It is believed to be one of the largest armies ever to have crossed the seas in a single unit.

New Zealand Maoris—sons of men who fought with distinction in the last war—were among the shouting, singing throngs of men who marched past Mr. Eden, asking "When do we meet old Adolf" and submitting pocket notes for the Dominion Secretary's autograph.

All of them upon the 10,000-mile voyage as an adventure.

One said: "It beats me why we are being paid for taking this cruise."

Reports from Suez said that the tumultuous flag-waving reception had not died down to-night, although the insurgents are already getting down to the serious business of war, at camp "Somewhere in the Middle East."

Major General Freyberg's camouflaged tent has been pitched on a knoll in the centre of the camp.

Each man has been supplied with a specially printed map showing the lanes, restaurants and districts within bounds to troops.

Royal Navy Thanked

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Major General Freyberg, Commander of the New Zealand Expeditionary Force, cabled the First Lord of the Admiralty to-day.

The cable read: "I send you on this historic day the thanks of all ranks to the gallant ships of the Royal Navy protecting us on our voyage to Egypt."

Mr. Winston Churchill replied that the Royal Navy was proud to carry the famous Anzacs once again across the ocean.

"All your old comrades in the Royal Naval Division rejoice to see you at the head of the New Zealand command," he added.

N.Z. Raises Another Army

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Within 24 hours of the landing of the Australian and New Zealand troops, the New Zealand Minister of Defence was announcing that a second New Zealand contingent for overseas was only 753 men short of full strength.

He declared that within a week sufficient men should be available from a third contingent.

Response to the call had been excellent. The New Zealand Government, he said, was trying to get reinforcements ready some months ahead of requirements.

A National Recruiting Committee, therefore, was being formed.

Neutrals Impressed

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—There is ample evidence that the arrival of the Australian and New Zealand Forces in the Middle East has created a great impression not only at home but also in neutral countries.

It is the leading topic of conversation in England. Messages from France show that our Allies are equally stirred by this demonstration of solidarity.

The headline over the story of the arrival in "Le Journal" is typical of both the French and English sentiment that they have a new trump card for victory.

The American papers also give it a great deal of space.

The "New York Herald-Tribune" calls it a striking achievement like that of the transport of the Canadian contingents to England but it is even more spectacular from the technical standpoint.

In Britain, the "Times" emphasises that every man was a volunteer. Nothing has demonstrated more clearly the unity of the British Commonwealth than the transport of the Canadians followed so closely by that of the Australians and New Zealanders.

Indestructible Unity

The "Daily Telegraph" says that

"Since only a very small proportion of the total food supplies concerned in the Colony is home-grown, it is fortunate that Hongkong is practically speaking, a free port and that no customs duties are payable in respect of imported foodstuffs, the report states."

Locally produced rice especially from the Shatin Valley and in the New Territories has for centuries been held in such high esteem in parts of China as far distant even as Peking, that it is largely exported and cheaper rice imported from Burma, French Indo-China and Siam. The rice diet is augmented where funds are available by small quantities of beans, vegetables, ginger, meat, fresh dried or salted fish and by fresh or salted eggs; but the lowest wage-earners are able to buy very little of these additional foodstuffs and milk is almost unknown amongst the really poor.

There is little doubt that a proportion of the large number of cases and deaths in infants from enteritis is attributed to faulty feeding and malnutrition in some form or other.

Grounds For Research

Observations carried out on women at the Tsan Yuk Maternity Hospital by Dr. W. C. W. Nixon, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of Hongkong in 1936-37, lent further support to the belief that malnutrition and signs of deficiency of vitamin B were present in a proportion of the women cared for.

In the view of the Director of Medical Services, states the report, there are ample grounds for further research and survey being undertaken locally, although he considers that such research work and surveys should not be of a laboratory character but should take rather the form of field work.

The actual plan of campaign would be decided upon by the newly constituted and enlarged Nutrition Research Committee under the Chairmanship of the Director of Medical Services.

Practical Measures

Practical measures for the improvement of nutrition include the new dietaries devised by the Government Medical Department for prisoners in the Hongkong prisons. The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children assisted at the Welfare Centres by supplying milk foods free.

It is the considered opinion of those who have studied the problem that Welfare Centres provide the best means of educating the less fortunate section of the population. It is believed that a vast amount of sickness and suffering could be prevented were even more facilities available for this work.

The importance of pure milk has been brought home to the public and efforts have been made to encourage large producers of milk to transfer their farms to the mainland where their herds of cattle can be expanded.

It is also hoped to carry out experiments with the cultivation of alfalfa and amaranth, both of which are of high dietary value. Finally, it is hoped to counteract the incidence of beriberi as far as possible by experiments were made to find a cheap anti-beriberi factor.

Annual Migrations

Rice polishings are obtained locally at a cost of \$12.50 per hundredweight and are used extensively in hospitals and other public institutions.

The report points out that Hongkong is, for the moment, a very temporary place of sojourn. The annual migration of some 500,000 people to and from China leads to great difficulties in effecting permanent improvement in the nutrition of the Colony.

The disembarkations of two formidable reinforcements for the Allied armies is palpable evidence of the indestructible unity of the Empire.

The paper stresses that it is only because the British Navy has command of the seas that it was possible to transport the troops.

The "Daily Mail" comments that the fact that free men should hurry from all parts of the world to fight for what they believed was something which Hitler cannot comprehend but he will soon understand its meaning.

The question why the troops should assemble in the Middle East was the subject of articles in some newspapers.

The papers, however, point out that the Suez Canal is still in some ways the jugular vein of the Empire and also that the Allies have given guarantees to the small nations in the Balkans and Turkey that they owe now our friends.

The "Manchester Guardian" says that the Middle East has become for Britain and France a wide defensive or offensive position of great strength.

Rumania and Turkey have been threatened by the only two great powers likely to disturb them. If this balance takes place our duty will be clear.



THESE Young Chinese Ladies are doing the New Big Apple Swing Dance at to-night's Supper Dance at the Peninsula Hotel in aid of The British War Organisation Fund and The Chinese Soldiers' Relief Fund.

Control Of Railways

Government Scheme Debated In Commons

LONDON, Feb. 13 (British Wireless).—Financial arrangements respecting Government control of railways in wartime were debated in the Commons on a motion of Mr. Herbert Morrison, who declared that national interests would be better served by the establishment of a permanent national transport authority to own and control all forms of inland and coastwise transport.

In criticising the agreement, he referred to the rise in railway stocks since the agreement was mooted amounting, he said, to £100,000,000, and remarked that government participation in profits only began when they were at a very high level.

The Minister of Transport, Captain Euan Wallace, said that he did not think anyone would dispute the need for control of transport in wartime. Government must be in a position to direct that the rail system as a whole should be used to the best advantage.

Pool System

Financial arrangements were all based on the general principle that the receipts of controlled undertakings should be pooled.

There were four stages in the financial arrangements—first, that the minimum net revenue should be guaranteed by the government; second, a further amount which the controlled undertakings might be paid in excess of that minimum third, profit-sharing on a fifty-fifty basis which extended to a point where each of the controlled undertakings would reach its standard revenue; and fourth, above that point, all additional net earnings accrued to the Exchequer.

It was impossible to forecast what would happen after the war, but he pointed out that railway charges would find their economic levels as they would during the war in accordance with the agreement. There was no intention of securing charges during the war beyond an economic level.

Economic Basis

Government intended as far as possible that controlled undertakings should operate upon an economic basis involving adjustments, charges to variation in working costs including wage rates, prices of material and other circumstances arising directly out of the war and including the cost of meeting charges for making good war damage.

It was not possible, under the stress of war conditions, to retain the jurisdiction of the Railway Rates Tribunal over the general level of charges. Government did not intend, however, that the safeguard should be abandoned, and a special department of the Ministry was being set up, to be aided by a distinguished civil servant, to deal with the question of rates.

Government Assurance

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—An assurance that the Government would not use the control of railways to impose higher charges on the public was given by the Transport Minister, Captain Euan Wallace, in the House of Commons to-day.

Captain Wallace said that charges would only rise if necessitated by increased wages, prices of materials or difficulties due to war conditions, and that such increases would have to be justified to Parliament.

Opposition criticism of the Government's agreement with the railways, following a motion by Mr. Herbert Morrison that the interests of the country would be better served by the establishment of a permanent national transport authority to own and control all forms of inland and coastwise transport.

Mr. Morrison's motion was defeated by 180 to 115.

U.S. LOAN TO CHUNGKING

U.S. Senate Approves Appropriation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (UP).—By a vote of 49 to 27 the United States Senate has approved the Bill increasing the capital of the Export-Import Bank by \$100,000,000 to enable the United States to make additional loans to China and Finland.

The Bill now goes to the House of Representatives, where an early approval is expected.

OBITUARY

HONGKONG SOLICITOR

Mr. Paul Hodgson Dies In Hospital

The death occurred at the War Memorial Nursing Home this morning of Mr. Paul Mary Hodgson, Principal of the firm of T'so and Hodgson, solicitors.

Mr. Hodgson, who was nearly 60 years of age, was an old resident of Hongkong, having arrived here in 1907.

He was of a kindly disposition with a sound knowledge of law both in theory and in practice. He was a man of good judgment in business matters and was also keenly interested in sports of every kind.

His wife at present on her way out to the Colony. Their daughter, who for several years resided in Hongkong, is at present in England.

Acting Crown Solicitor

Before coming to Hongkong, Mr. Hodgson was a solicitor in the Supreme Court of Judicature in England.

On his arrival here in 1907, he joined the firm of Ewins and Harston, being then admitted as a solicitor at the Supreme Court, Hongkong.

In 1910, he served on the board of the South China Morning Post, Ltd.

In 1911, Mr. Hodgson became Assistant Crown Solicitor and three years later took over the position of Acting Crown Solicitor.

About 1917, he occupied the position of legal adviser on the staff of the Union Insurance Society of Canton. By that time he had been appointed to be a non-official Justice of the Peace and was Vice-Commander of the old Corinthian Yacht Club.

Early in January 1925, he set up as a stock-broker but later that year resumed legal practice.

During the following year he interested himself in many local associations. He was at that time the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Automobile Association, the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Shek-O Country Club.

Partner In Firm

Mr. Hodgson became a partner in the firm of T'so and Hodgson about 1927. Two years later he became President of the Hongkong Automobile Association and a director of the China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd. and of the Hongkong Excavation, Pile Driving and Construction Co., Ltd.

In 1932, he became a director of the South China Motorship Buildings and Repairing Works, Ltd.

His keen interest in the development of Shek-O as a residential area was shown in his becoming a director

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS
H.K. Banks \$ (c.d.) 1,400 b.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) 2 c.d. 85% m.

H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) 2 c.d. 87% n.
Chartered 8 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. 31 n.
Mercantile, C. & 13% n.
East Asiatic 78 n.

INSURANCES
Canton 212% b.
Union 170 n.
China Underwriter 174 s.
H.K. Fire 180 b.

SHIPPING
Douglases 100 b.
Steamboats 10% n.
Indo-China P.S. 100 n.
Indo-China D.S. 80 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/- 72% b.
Waterboats s/- 74% n.

DOCKETS ETC.
Wharves 102 n.
Docks 22.35 b.
Providents 4.05 so.
New Eng. Sh. 29% n.
Sh. Docks Sh. \$ (x.d.) 355 n.

MINING
Kailan s/- 18/- n.
Rauba 10 n.
Venz, Gold 4 n.
H.K. Mines 3% c.d. n.

LANDS
Hotels 5.75-58 sa.
Lands 30% sa.
Lands 4% Debentures 100 n.
Shai Lands Sh. 17% n.
Humphreys 84 n.
H.K. Realities 42 b.
Chinese Estates 191 n.

UTILITIES
Trams 18.40 sa.
Peak Trams (old) 8 n.
Peak Trams (new) 4 n.
Star Ferries 58 b.
Y. Ferries 24% n.
China Lights (old) 74 b.
China Lights (new) 4.55 b.
H.K. Electric 57% n.
Macao Electric 20 b.
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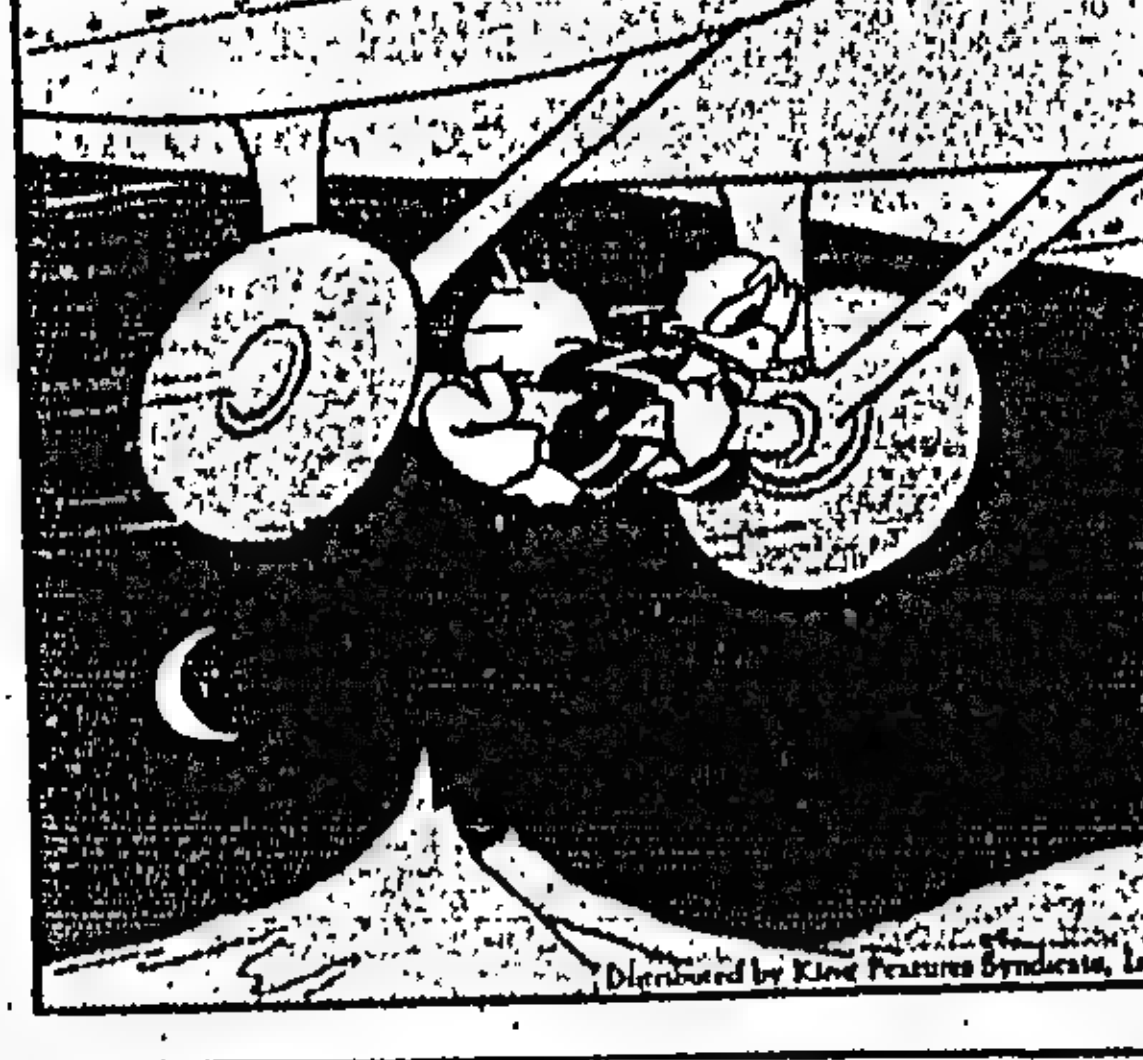
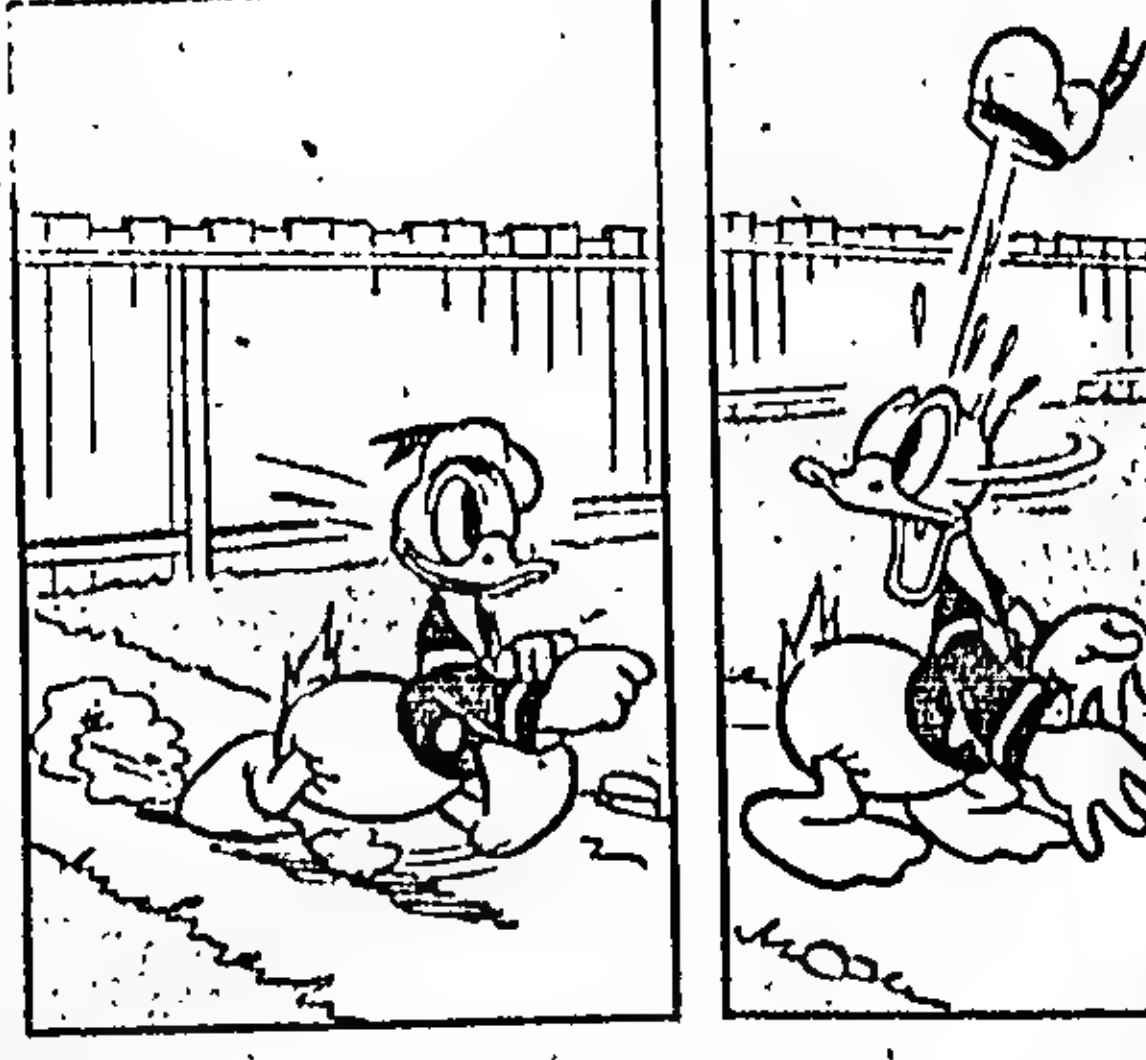
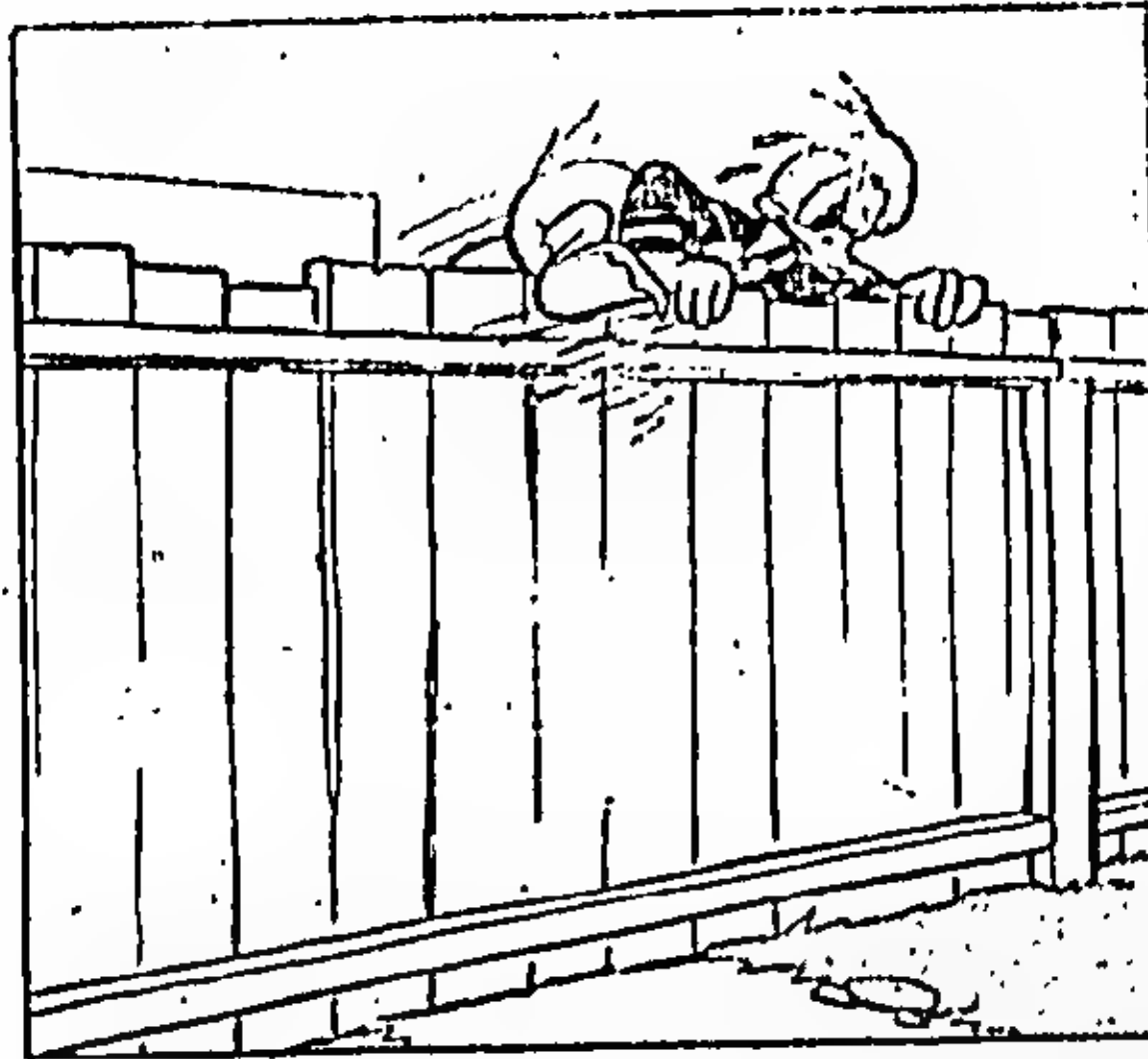
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Cold Macs (Pref.) Sh. 12 n.
Canton Irons 1 n.
Cement s/- 10.20 sa.
H.K. Ropes 5.70 b.

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Dairy Farms (old) 22 b. & sa.
Dairy Farms (new) 21 b.
Watsons 9.00 b.
Lane, Crawford, & 7% n.
Swire 150 n.
Wing On (H.K.) 41 n.
Powell, Ltd. s/- 1 n.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. 38 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. 170 n.
Zong Shing Sh. 44 n.
Wing On Textile, Sh. s/- 48% n.

MISC.
H.K. Entertainments 7 b.
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WHY THE DUTCH MOBILISED

Nazi Plans Fell Into Hands

LIEGE.
I am now able to tell the remarkable story of how the Belgian and Dutch Governments came into possession of Nazi plans which led them to take special defence measures.

A German officer's haste to rejoin his newly-married wife was the prime cause in a chain of events which resulted in the plans falling into Belgian hands.

A German plane made a forced landing at Mechelen-sur-Meuse, on the Belgian frontier near here. Two officers were in the machine.

One of them belonged to the group of airmen which has its headquarters at Cologne. He was the officer who carried the vitally important documents.

Told To Go By Train

I learn that he had been ordered to convey these documents, which were very bulky, from Berlin to Cologne. So that no risks should be taken, the officer had been told to travel by train.

The High Command in Berlin had, in fact, provided him with a first-class railway pass.

It happened that the officer had only recently been married. His wife was living in Cologne. The train journey would have taken so long that he would not have been able to see her the same evening.

He heard that one of his friends, an airman, was just on the point of leaving Tempelhof for Cologne, and the staff officer decided to take this chance of reaching his wife so much more speedily.

As the result of a big navigational error, the pilot crossed the Rhine far to the north of Cologne and found himself over the Dutch border.

He was greeted by anti-aircraft fire. He consequently turned south, and a few minutes later had to make a forced landing in a meadow at Mechelen-sur-Meuse.

Borrowed Matches

The first thing the staff officer did was to ask a peasant for some matches. With these he tried to set fire to his documents.

Belgian soldiers hastened to the plane, however, and forcibly prevented the officer from destroying the papers.

The two Germans were taken to the nearest military post for questioning. During the interview the Nazi Staff officer succeeded in snatching the documents and throwing them into the fire. A Belgian officer was able, however, to recover them before they caught fire.

There could thus be no doubt that these papers were of exceptional importance. According to my information, they related to the transfer to the left bank of the Rhine of 22 newly-formed divisions.

Facts Confirmed

This movement was in course of being carried out. Some of these divisions were to go to the Dutch frontier, but the great majority were destined for the French frontier.

The Belgian Intelligence Service was speedily able to confirm that these troop movements were in fact taking place.

At the same time news was received of the arrival in the Anchorage area of the Belgio-German frontier of two Army corps, each consisting of three divisions.

While the movement of troops in the sense indicated by the captured plans was thus clearly taking place, it was not possible to be sure whether these movements were to be regarded as a concentration or were merely designed to relieve units already in the area.

At the same time, there was nothing in the papers taken from the German officer at Mechelen which made it possible to place any certainty on this interpretation of the troop movements.

The one fact which is certain is that at the present moment there are between 75 and 80 divisions on the frontiers of Holland and Belgium. The reinforcement of troops from the Rhineland back into the interior of Germany has yet taken place.

Of the total concentration, 37 divisions are believed to be eastward of the Belgian frontier.

TOUGH CLIMB AHEAD OF THEM



THIS PHOTOGRAPH epitomises the difficulties encountered by Japan in her war with China. It shows Japanese soldiers toiling upwards on a snow-clad battlefield in the north.—Domei.

JAPAN'S DEATH WIRE CLAIMS FIRST VICTIM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TIENTSIN, Feb. 13 (UP).—A Chinese named Liu Liao-kual, aged 31, was electrocuted on the Japanese barbed wire barricades at 5 a.m. to-day.

Liu and his cousin were living in a refugee camp in the British area. Yesterday he made enquiries regarding vegetable prices outside the barriers, apparently intending to smuggle some into the camp.

He was crawling under the electrified wire when a Japanese sentry saw him and made a rush towards him.

Liu, although aware of the electrification, tried to escape under the wire. He almost succeeded but must have touched the wire, because he fell into the British area. His body was discovered by his cousin.

The restrictions for Chinese have now been tightened.

Following a conference to-day, newspaper correspondents noticed hundreds of Chinese waiting to pass the barriers. The Japanese sentries were snapping and ill-treating the men in contradiction to the professed desire of the Japanese to gain the goodwill of the Chinese.

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Speeding Up Productions

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Proposals for an intensified effort in the engineering industry to speed up the production of armaments was handed to-night to representatives of the 34 Unions in confederation with the Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions by Mr. Ernest Brown, Minister for Labour.

A conference between Mr. Ernest Brown and representatives of the Unions lasted 2½ hours and when the proposals have been considered a further conference will be held.

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SIR JOHN SIMON IS SATISFIED

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—As the result of the announcement on January 17 of a new loan by way of the conversion of the existing £350,000,000 four and a half per cent. loan, actual applications for conversion amounted to £236,000,000 and for repayment £99,000,000.

In making this announcement in the House of Commons to-day, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, stated that the total proportion converted exceeded two-thirds of the whole.

Sir John added that he regarded the results as satisfactory.

The offer of January 17 was to repay on July 1 in cash or, if holders preferred, to give them an option in a new conversion loan at par.

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Toy-Pistol Used In Alleged Hold-Up

Alleged to have held up Yu Ma-ying with a toy pistol and robbed him of \$2 in Wan-chai yesterday, two unemployed quilt-makers, Lai Shing, 25, and Li Fai, 22, appeared before Mr. Sheldon at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning.

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Kennedy Tells Of Position In Europe

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy arrived here to-day by aeroplane from Florida for important conferences with Government officials on the international situation.

It is reported that he will confer with Mr. Sumner Welles and Mr. William C. Bullitt, the U.S. Ambassador in Paris.

Swedes Arrested For Espionage

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—Three prominent Swedish businessmen have been arrested for espionage. They have confessed, say the Swedish Police.

They are said to have given information to an unnamed foreign power about the movements of ships.

One of the three is a native of England who is employed by a German concern in Sweden, another is the Swedish employee of a British soap company and the third is a ship-broker handling iron ore.

Crossword Puzzle

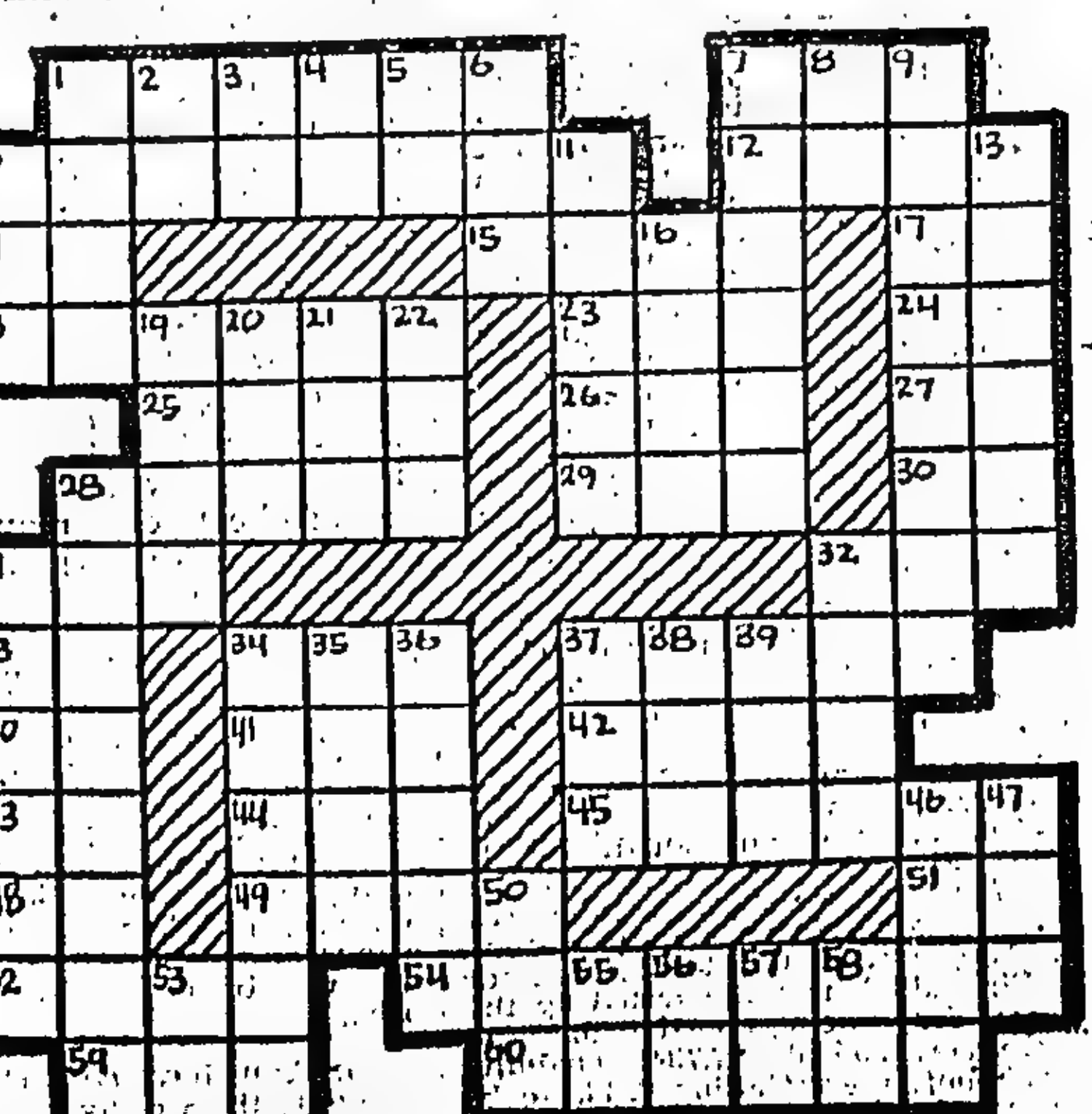
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—Permis
- 2—Dance step
- 3—Commence
- 4—Laid out
- 5—On point of
- 6—Cover streets
- 7—Mute treasure
- 8—Uniformed and armed
- 9—Trade attraction
- 10—The French
- 11—God of war
- 12—Devour
- 13—F scale
- 14—Legal papers
- 15—Travel regularly
- 16—I would
- 17—Morale
- 18—Cow genus
- 19—Building wing
- 20—Ward holder
- 21—Wading bird
- 22—Dance of waltz
- 23—Constellation
- 24—Baking chamber
- 25—Dried food
- 26—Other
- 27—Hodent
- 28—Discovery
- 29—Hebrew river
- 30—Three-toed sloth
- 31—Narrow opening

DOWN

- 1—Kind of electric current (abbr.)
- 2—Cinnabar (abbr.)
- 3—Dance step
- 4—Tree juice
- 5—More than enough
- 6—George Russell's pseudonym
- 7—Male horse
- 8—Hunan race
- 9—Food from orchids
- 10—Walk bottle
- 11—Tired
- 12—Twice canton
- 13—Allow
- 14—Spendthrift
- 15—Tailbone
- 16—Part of skeleton
- 17—Equality
- 18—Annual loan money (abbr.)
- 19—One who fees date
- 20—British carrier
- 21—Pirai woman
- 22—Wink
- 23—Vehicle
- 24—Color
- 25—Treat using
- 26—Address of earth
- 27—Note of Goudon's scale
- 28—French article
- 29—Like



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3688—A Mother's prayer at twilight.

3688—How ashamed I was. Sandy Powell.

3688—Oh Ain't it grand to be in the Navy. Billy Cotton and his band.

3688—I'll remember. Billy Cotton and his band.

3688—Till the lights of London shine again. Oscar Rabin & his Romany band.

3688—Lonely sweetheart. Roy Smeck and his Hawaiian Serenaders.

3688—Moon love. Oscar Rabin & his Romany band.

3688—An apple for the teacher. Oscar Rabin & his Romany band.

3688—A man and his dream. A man and his dream.

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3688—Lords of the air.

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DEATHS

HODGSON.—Died at War Memorial
 Nursing Home, Hongkong, on
 February 14, 1940, Paul Mary
 Hodgson, aged 60 years. Funeral
 will pass the Monument at 5
 o'clock to-day. No flowers by
 request.

MAHER.—At the Queen Mary Hos-
 pital on February 13, Maria
 Janina Barros Maher (Jany), at
 the age of 73. The cortege will
 pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m.
 to-day, starting from Anderson's
 Funeral Parlour. No flowers by
 request. Macao and Shanghai
 papers please copy.

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Hongkong And Finland

ELEVEN weeks of war against
 a nation, armed with all the
 aircraft and tanks and artillery that
 the energies of the continental mass
 of Russia can produce, and Finland
 still unconquered and resolute. From
 the birch of the giant her land
 "bloody but unbowed." Military
 critics, even the friendliest, thought
 the Finnish resistance could be no
 more than a gallant gesture soon
 overwhelmed. The army of the Finns
 numbers less than 300,000 men, and
 Stalin counts his hosts by millions.
 But despite bombing of her towns,
 despite attacks from many points
 supported by heavy gun-fire and
 squadron after squadron of tanks and
 inexhaustible waves of infantry, no
 deadly wound has yet been given to
 the Finnish defence. The valiant
 resistance offered to the latest massed
 onslaught makes most heartening
 reading. The Finns still maintain
 themselves against the central thrust
 to divide their country across its
 narrowest point at the head of the
 Gulf of Bothnia, and the Manner-
 heim Line across the Karelian
 Isthmus defies the massed artillery
 and the squandered legions of Stalin.
 But civilization must ask itself how
 long human fortitude can struggle
 against such monstrous odds?

Finland is civilization's outpost
 against barbarism. It has freedom
 and the noble way of life which she
 has won go down before the Robot
 Tyranny of Soviet Russia all Scan-
 dinavia will be threatened by a like
 slavery. The League of Nations has
 already asked its members severally
 in what manner they intend to assist
 Finland in defeating an outrage
 which they condemned and for which
 the aggressor was expelled. From
 the South American States, which
 were the prime movers in this deci-
 sion, Finland can only obtain finan-
 cial support or, in time, foodstuffs.
 On behalf of the British Empire the
 promise has already been given that
 the Finns will receive from British
 factories aircraft and other material,
 with the French. What have the
 neutral countries to offer Finland?
 She is the champion of them all in
 a desperate fight against some of the
 European neutral nations have great
 material interest in her cause. These
 not only of common humanity, but
 of like ideas.

We in Hongkong, although far
 away from the scene of Russian
 barbarism, can do our small bit to
 help Finland's resistance. It is
 gratifying to note that, despite the
 many calls on our pockets, Hongkong
 has responded readily to the "Friends
 of Finland" fund inaugurated by the
 Consulate for Finland, and that the total
 yesterday stood at 47,734, enabling
 two remittances totalling £405 to be
 sent to Finland.
 It is well said that Finland's cause

The Finns have done miracles and
 in aiding the worthy cause launched by
 the Finnish Consul in Hongkong,
 we are aiding them to continue.

Happy days again (after to-day)

IT is a very old notion
 that the birds of the air
 choose their mates on
 February 14.

In his poem the Parlia-
 ment of Fowles written by
 Geoffrey Chaucer in 1380
 these words are to be read:
 For this was on Saint Valentine's

day,
 When every foul cometh there to
 choose his mate.

The invention of the hearsay
 is a very perfect example of the
 delicate fancies that so often be-
 long to the lore of the country-
 side.

How charming a thing it is to
 contemplate the fidelity of the
 birds, the fidelity of these little
 creatures with bright eyes and
 shining feathers who dance
 above our heads light as leaves
 —linnets with rosy breasts, him a mate.
 Certainly it is that
 chaffinches with white epau-
 lottes circulate about this central
 letter, and the little wrens who day
 of February strange pro-
 are always careful to build an
 extra nest for the cock bird to
 sing from.

I remember being shown by
 the swan-herd at Abbotsbury
 two old swans that had been
 faithful to each other for longer
 than he could remember, and
 the same constancy may be
 observed in the pair of ravens
 which every year nest on the
 great chalk headland of White
 Nose, in Dorset.

FROM rock to warn,
 these aerial com-
 panions of our lumpy earth-
 existence, live under the fond
 belief that, fly where they may,
 they never can find a better
 mate than the one they have
 chosen.

It may be that the sparrows—
 those favoured outsiders of the
 goddess Venus—have remained
 untroubled by any such honour-
 able illusions, fluttering invita-
 tions from rest to crutch every
 hour of the day in spring, sum-
 mer and autumn.

It is not to be doubted that
 the careless felicity of these
 broad-beaked finches contrasts
 poorly enough with the high
 devotion, let us say, of the turtle
 dove, which Shakespeare so well
 knocks off in *The Winter's Tale*:

I am old turtle,
 Will wing me to some wither'd
 bough, and there
 My mate, that's never to be
 found again.

Lament till I am lost.
 This represents an exaggerat-
 ed picture of such life-long
 infatuations, and who knows but
 the little roguish house-top
 spadgers do not have the best
 of it! "As long live the merry
 as the sad."

VALENTINE'S DAY is
 "a queynte day" in
 any case, and a day full of
 mischief. Girls who go to sleep
 with four bay leaves pinned to
 the four corners of their laven-
 der pillows on St. Valentine's
 Eve will be sure to dream
 dreams of grace and pleasure,
 and the first person they see the
 next morning they must ac-
 knowledge without further to do
 as their Valentine—the lucky
 boy who will have the right to
 demand a new favour for every
 one of the twelve months.

It is seldom that a proper

is the cause of the whole civilized
 world and, however small Hongkong's
 response as compared with the aid
 the great Powers can give, it is the
 unity of a world opposed to barbaric
 aggression that really counts. At the
 same time Hongkong's £405, when
 multiplied by similar donations from
 other parts of the world aiding in like
 manner, may easily be the last straw
 that will break the Russian camel's
 back.

The Finns have done miracles and
 in aiding the worthy cause launched by
 the Finnish Consul in Hongkong,
 we are aiding them to continue.

Valentine card is seen nowadays.
 A perfect pattern of one should
 be enfolded, layer upon layer, in
 a limp, love-lorn lace-like paper,
 with a heart fearfully transfixed
 by an arrow stiff and straight
 and not to be gainsaid.
 An old English proverb as-
 serts that a good farm goose
 should begin laying before
 Candlemas, and some Jack and
 Jill of the rickyard improved
 upon the say-so in the following
 manner:

Candlemas day,
 The good housewife's goose
 lay;
 Valentine's day,
 Yours and mine may.

In one of the Paston Letters
 written in 1477 this sentence
 may be read "And cosyn, upon
 Fryday is Saint Valentynes
 Day, and every brydde chasyth
 him a mate." Certain it is that
 there circulate about this central
 letter, and the little wrens who day
 of February strange pro-
 are always careful to build an
 extra nest for the cock bird to
 sing from.

Yesterday returneth not,
 Perchance to-morrow cometh
 not;
 There is to-day; misuse it
 not.

Shakespeare in *A Midsummer
 Night's Dream* makes Theseus,
 the Duke of Athens, playfully
 reproach the pretty lovers he
 finds sleeping side by side in the
 forest.

He causes them to be awakened
 with his hunting horns and says,
 "Saint Valentine is past: Begin
 these wood birds but to couple
 now!"

It is the time of the year when
 we all of us prick up our ears
 again to look about for tansy
 cakes. It was on Saint Valen-
 tine's day that John Ridd met
 Lorna Doone, as all dazed and
 half-drowned he regained con-
 sciousness to see her dark hair
 against the first primrose of the
 year!

Many of our best nursery
 rhymes give expression to the
 fancy-free restlessness yearning for
 romance that moves our hearts
 during the weeks of February—
 Fill-Dyke. Boys and girls can-
 not live by moil and toil alone.

THE rook boy, or, as we
 call him in Dorset, the
 crow-starver, has his mind on
 other matters than his ugly

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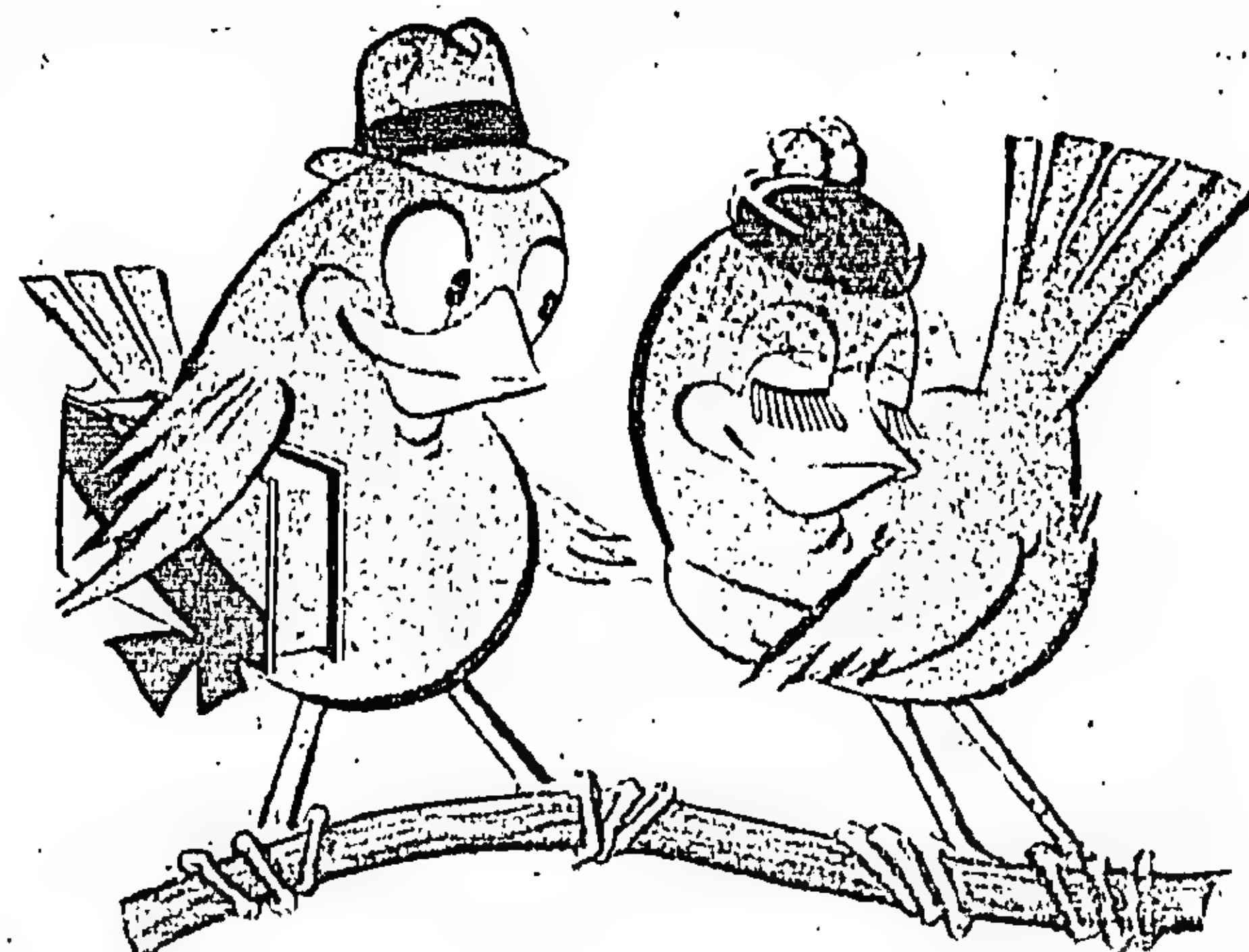
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According to country folk to-day is the day
 when the birds of the air choose their mates.

wooden clapper when he sings:
 Eat birds, eat, and make no
 waste,
 I lie here and make no
 haste;
 If my master chance to
 come—
 You must fly and I must
 run.

And the lonely goose-girl on
 the green common, silver with
 pussy-willows and yellow with
 gorse, what plaint does she
 carol?

I am a pretty wench,
 And I came a great way
 hence
 And sweethearts I can get
 none;
 But every glossy crow
 Can get sweethearts enow,
 But I, pretty wench, can't
 get one.

It was the same little maiden
 perhaps who, as she sat combing
 her hazel locks against the
 mossy roof of the old ash tree,
 well sheltered from the wind
 made up the following verse:
 Gray goose and gander
 Waft your wings together
 And carry my mother's
 daughter
 Over the one strand river.
 And in the cities the same
 happy unrest is felt. The clouds
 that float above the steeples and
 the chimney pots of our town
 seem to tempt us to a freer life.

There are rumours in the air
 and as we return home from
 work we know that at every
 street corner we may meet in
 the daffodil twilight the one we
 have searched for all our life
 long!

Up street and down street
 Each window is made of
 glass
 And if you go to the further
 house

You'll find a pretty lass.
 With the passing of Saint
 Valentine's Day the softer
 months of the year are before
 us. Even the month of March
 need not frighten us blow as he
 may his donkey's horn.

BEFORE us are all the
 happy Saturday after-
 noons of the summer, Sunday

PLEASE Turn To Page 3.

G.O.C. the Canadians won't waste his soldiers

by
**WILLIAM
 BARKLEY**

"I'm a soldier, not a scholar."
 He said the words with a laugh.
 He had been speaking of the health
 of the Canadian troops on their
 voyage to Britain. Among them all
 there were two cases of pneumonia,
 but, said the general, "they yielded to
 sulphamidamide treatment."

A word which would twist most
 tongues came trippingly off his. It
 was when some one said "Spill it"
 that Major-General A. G. L. Mc-
 Naughton, commanding the Canadian
 Active Service Force, grinned and
 said he was not a scholar.

In truth he is both scientist and
 soldier. It himself is admirably re-
 presents that quality of adapted
 intelligence which he is building into
 his Canadian division. His belief is
 that a modern army unit—
 mechanised, expert and technical—
 can be built in short time from civil-
 ians if the civilians are technical ex-
 perts already, and particularly if they
 are Canadians.

"That is where we score as a
 pioneer country," he told me. "We
 are accustomed to fighting the rigours
 of nature. We don't need to create
 technical experience. We have a
 wealth of it which merely requires
 adaptation."

Andrew or "Andy" McNaughton—
 "Mr of Scottish ancestry"—is in him-
 self part of the Canadian wealth of
 adaptable experience. He has slipped
 into khaki as lightly as he slipped it
 off in 1910. In the last war, as in
 this, he was one of the first Canadian
 contingent, landing in France in
 February 1915 as major of artillery,
 in which he had done militia service
 since his undergraduate days of 1909.
 He ended the war in command of the
 Canadian Heavy Artillery.

Between wars he has applied his
 scientific brain to the military art
 until four years ago his Government
 put him at the head of the Canadian
 National Research Council. He is
 himself the inventor of a cathode-
 ray direction-finder. Precision instru-
 ments of aircraft, meteorological
 equipment, metallurgical research—
 such have been the interests of
 Canada's Commander. But all the
 time he was applying his laboratory
 experience to mechanical warfare.

Just on the outbreak of war he
 came to London with the War
 Mission of Canadian manufacturers
 and returned to spread his enthusi-
 asm for the newest guns which he
 had inspected here. Once again he
 has left the laboratory and slipped
 back into khaki, the embodiment of
 the skilled technician who rises up
 to his idea of the modern soldier.

At fifty-two, he is slim, lean-
 featured and alert as a blackbird.
 His black moustache is greying, but
 there are bushy black eye-brows
 over the sombre brown eyes which
 concentrate the frankest and most
 comprehending gaze as he speaks to
 one. His manner is natural, quite
 unstudied and all the more impres-
 sive for that. He is firm and serious.
 "This is not a glorious adventure
 that we are engaged on," he said.
 "That is not the spirit of my men.
 We regard it as an unpleasant job
 that has got to be done and done as
 quickly as possible so that we can
 get back to our civil avocations."

War as he wages it is not going
 to be any affair of wasting men on
 gallant but hopeless exploits.
 "Machines and intelligence are the
 things to win the war with," he says,
 "not young lives."
 His task now is to extract the last
 ounce of benefit from our own
 Army's experience and to equip his
 own magnificent manpower with
 every device that can render them
 formidable as a scientific fighting
 force.

ARF A Mo', ADOLF!



The second Australian Expeditionary Force has arrived in Egypt.
 —Armstrong in the Melbourne "Argus".

Chinese Spokesman Describes:— Rout Of Japanese In South Kwangsi Front

Details of the new Japanese debacle in South Kwangsi are supplied by "Central News" in a report from Liuchow which, besides confirming the recapture of Pingyang, claims that over 5,000 Japanese troops were slain in the fighting on this front.

A Chinese military spokesman, reviewing the fighting near Pingyang, said that the Japanese mobilised about 100,000 men for this second drive in South Kwangsi following their defeat at Kulunkwan, the strategic pass on the Nanning-Pingyang highway, last December.

The right column pushed toward Pingyang by a roundabout route via Wujahin, reaching as far as Shunghin, 10 miles north-west of Pingyang, while the left column forced its way to the southern suburbs of Wuming, by the Nanning-Wuming highway.

Column Cut
In accordance with preconceived plans, crack Chinese troops were sent to attack the rear and left flank of the Japanese column advancing up to Pingyang. The Japanese column was cut into several groups, and the lengthening Japanese communication line was cut at several points.

First, Wujahin and Shiehfoo, respectively east and west of Nanning, were recaptured. Following five more days of fighting, Kula Kanton, Naho and Taktsok, points around Pingyang, were then regained.

On the Nanning-Wuming highway, the Japanese, the spokesman went on, were driven back to Shuankiao, south of Wuming, where they were surrounded.

As a result of a general Chinese counter-offensive launched on February 9, the Japanese forces at Pingyang, Shunghin and south of Wuming were routed. The road between Shunghin and Pingyang was strewn with Japanese dead and dying.

Pingyang was recaptured on February 11.

Japanese reinforcements, according to this spokesman, were called up at Suling, but they were subjected to encircling attacks by Chinese forces. The Japanese are now stated to be withdrawing towards Nanning.

Northern Front

Altogether four Japanese transporters have been damaged between Fanchung and Tientsin by Chinese shelling during the last few days, says a message from Anhwei. Yesterday, another transport was shelled by Chinese land batteries while she was steaming up the Yangtze River. She was damaged in the stern.

In recent fighting in Hupeh, over 1,000 Japanese were slain, the Chinese claim. Surviving Japanese on this front are now in full retreat towards Kinsshan and Yingcheng.

More Chinese Claims

Altogether 8,000 Japanese officers and men were killed in 108 engagements with the Chinese on Hainan Island from February 10 last year to January 31 this year, according to a Chinese estimate. During this period, three Japanese planes were brought down by Chinese anti-aircraft fire, while two tanks, three motor boats, over 20 army lorries and several field guns were destroyed.

Jury Locked Up For Tiffin

Retiring at 12.30 p.m., the Jury in the murder trial heard by the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, at the Criminal Session today, were locked up before 1 p.m. that it would take some time before they arrived at their verdict, and as a consequence Court was adjourned to 2.30 p.m., the Jury remaining sequestered.

The case involved Lau Tin-yung and Lau Tau who were accused of strangling a 63-year-old widow, Lam Po, at Ap Man Liu village, Sakung district, on the night of November 5. The first was represented by Mr. Ingalls Hosang, instructed by Mr. A. el Arculli, and the second by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, prosecuted.

Attempted To Bribe Constable

"Offering a bribe to a constable is a very serious offence indeed," said Mr. Himsforth at Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, when he sentenced Lam, 49, co-accused, to a fine of \$10 or one month on the charge of attempting to bribe a constable. At 2.10 a.m. this morning, a constable on patrol in Matalukok Road saw defendant with two buckets of nightsoil in a field. On seeing the constable, defendant ran away, but was chased and arrested. The bribe of a dollar was offered to the constable on the way to the Police station.

Constable Faces Serious Charge

Alleged to have indecently assaulted a woman at the King's Park Refuge Camp on February 7, a Constable, PC740 Yuen Kow, appeared before Mr. Macdicken at Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning. He was formally remanded for one week.

Det-Sgt. Fraser said there would be further charges against defendant.

Germans Fire At Dutchman He Wanted To Read The Meters

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 14. (Reuter).—The Dutch authorities are investigating an incident on the German frontier in which an employee of a Dutch electricity firm is alleged to have been shot at by Germans.

It appears that when he came to read the meters of a few houses on the German side of the frontier which were served by the Dutch electricity company, he was not allowed to cross into the German frontier and he shouted to the house owners to come and show him their cards.

Fire was opened at him from the German side of the frontier. He put up his hands and waited until some Germans, carrying revolvers, came across the border and questioned him.

He was able to satisfy them, but the women to whom he had been talking in connection with the meter-reading were arrested and taken off to the town of Vreden.

GERMANY DECLARES WAR ON NEUTRAL SHIPPING

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been increased by the torpedoing of the liner Burgeidijk.

Yesterday Holland learned from Berlin that the torpedoing of the ship was "a legal act."

Bound For Holland

Actually, however, Amsterdam messages say that the ship was bound from New York to Holland with a cargo nine-tenths of which was for the Netherlands Government and the remainder for Dutch importers.

There was nothing to show that she was proceeding to any belligerent port.

Norway, which has lost more shipping, thanks to the Nazis, than any other neutral country, has lost another vessel.

The Snesad was sunk by a mine or torpedo on Sunday while on her way from Norway to New York in ballast. All her crew were saved.

Contraband Claim

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 13. (Reuter).—Neutral inquirers were told in Berlin today that the Burgeidijk was presumably sunk because she had contraband on board.

So far apparently no report has been received from the captain of the submarine which sank the ship, but Nazi circles declare that contraband would be the only reason that could make him torpedo a neutral vessel.

The Parliamentary correspondent of the "Telegraph" writes: "Our people feel nothing but disgust and indignation at such piracy and the Government knows in advance that it has the whole nation behind it if it makes clear at the proper time and place and with proper emphasis that Holland does not wish to be threatened with want and hunger through the illegal and unreasonable action of one of the parties in the war."

Netherland Protest

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Government will shortly protest in Berlin at the torpedoing of the Dutch freighter Arendskerk.

A most serious view is taken in official quarters regarding reports of the torpedoing of the Burgeidijk which have been received up to now. It is considered that if the reports are verified the sinking of the Burgeidijk was the most flagrant violation of the rights of neutral shipping yet committed.

A very strong protest is expected.

Swedish Ship Lost

LONDON, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—The Swedish steamer, Dalara, 3,927 tons, sank in the Atlantic early yesterday. The crew of 26 were rescued by a Belgian trawler which made for an Irish port.

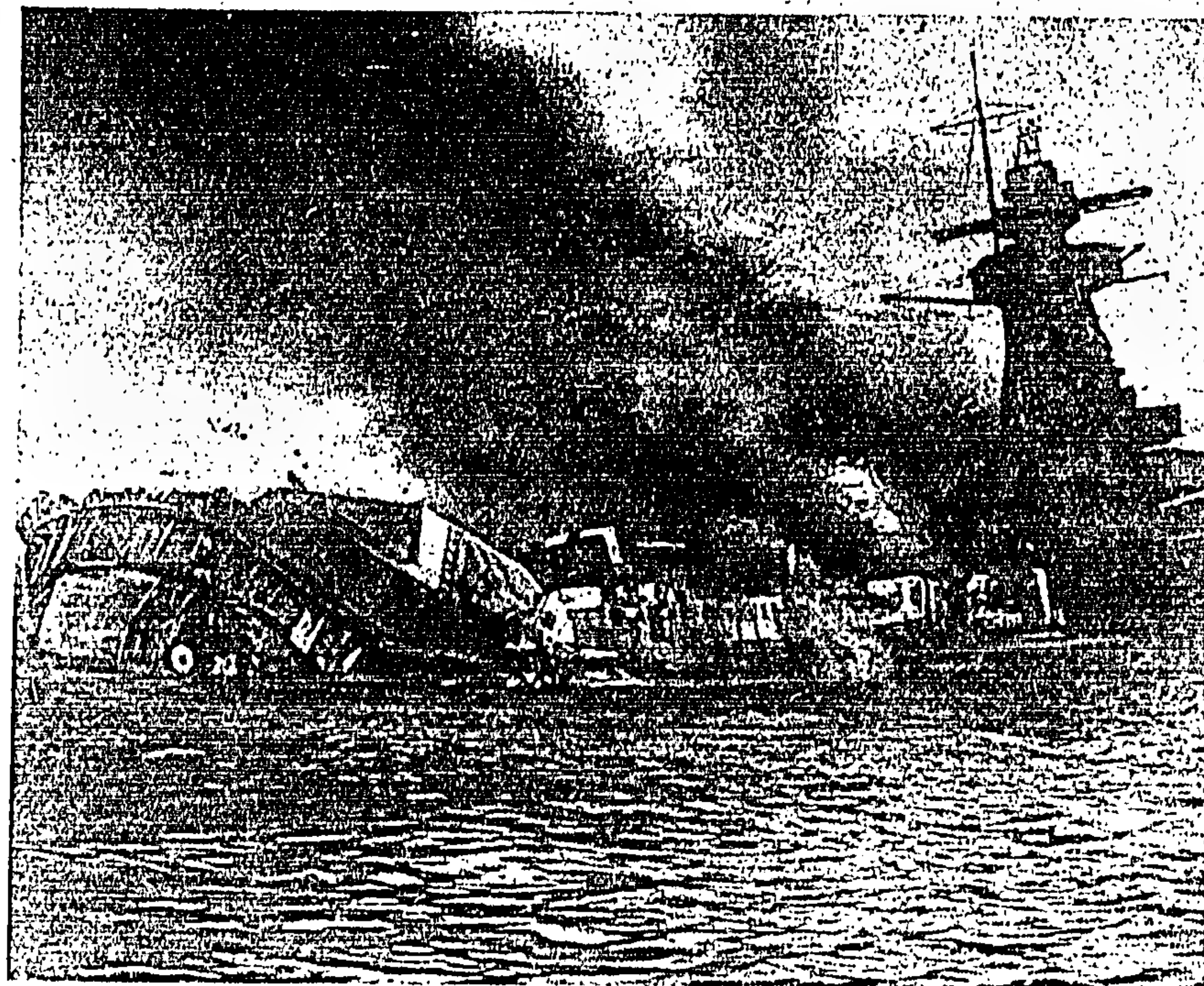
The Captain died soon after the rescue.

It is not known whether the Dalara was mined or torpedoed.

Polish Liner Had Anzacs Aboard

LONDON, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—It is officially revealed that one of the transports used by the Australian and New Zealand Expeditionary Forces was a Polish vessel manned by Polish sailors.

Mr. E. V. Searle, of 92 Waterloo Road, first floor, was robbed of an overcoat and a pair of spectacles to the total value of \$50 when a thief entered his home yesterday.



THE FIRST original photograph of the final scenes at the scuttling of the German pocket-battleship Admiral Graf Spee. This picture shows the ship just before she settled beneath the waters of the River Plate. From bow to stern she was a mass of flames. Her hull is seen buckled and torn by the force of the exploding ammunition. (For Movietonews picture.)

TWO ARMIES LOCKED IN DECISIVE WAR TO DEATH

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positions as they were moved down by the fire of the defenders.

The Russians almost fatalistically obey the orders of their officers—orders which mean certain death for thousands of them.

Casualties are increasing, not only among the Russians but also among the defenders, who fight to the last man to defend even the most insignificant outpost.

Up to this morning, when the most desperate onslaught of the war reached a new climax, the Russians losses had run, according to Finnish official sources, into "very many thousands."

The Russians are apparently relying on their steam-roller tactics—constant pressure by an overwhelming number of men, tanks, guns and airplanes, to overwhelm the little Finnish defending fortifications through sheer exhaustion of man power and machinery.

50,000 Mortar Shells
Typical of the herculean Russian effort is the trench mortar fire from the Red lines.

It is computed that 12-inch mortars have hurled more than 50,000 shells at the Finnish lines since the offensive started, in support of wave after wave of mass bayonet charges.

Finnish machine-guns and hand grenades simply mow down the Russians as they run across No Man's Land.

But as each bayonet charge fades away there is only a few minutes' pause before another climb over the parapet to commence another charge of death against the Finns.

That the defenders have withstood twelve continuous days of this type of hammering is bewildering even the most sceptical of military experts. It simply can't be done, they say.

The wreckage of between fifty and sixty Russian tanks, which cover each Red bayonet charge, lies in No Man's Land.

But for each tank destroyed the Russians have another in reserve.

Determined To Win

They appear determined to break through at Summa, no matter what the cost.

The Finns often wonder what the Russian civilians in Leningrad are thinking about the hold-up of their mighty Red Army on the Karelian Isthmus.

The continuous artillery fire, always clearly audible in Leningrad, is heard with much greater clarity during the long, silent winter nights.

The Finns wonder whether the Russians in Leningrad never speculate on the fact that the fighting has remained in virtually the same spot since the war started eleven weeks ago.

Viborg, behind the Finnish lines—is the second largest city in Finland—does not wonder, because it knows what efforts have gone into the Finnish defences.

Viborg is the most efficient city I have ever seen taking shelter when an air raid alarm is sounded.

Some Finnish officers call the present fighting "Russia's anniversary offensive" as, they believe, it is designed to produce a great victory and entrance into Viborg on February 23, Russia's "Army Day." Earlier, however, Stalin's birthday was to have produced this occasion for rejoicing among the Russians.

**Clash With Armed
Tribesmen**
NEW DELHI, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—A British officer and an Indian Sepoy were killed and five Sepoys were wounded in a clash between troops and armed tribesmen seven miles north-west of Bannu today.

The fighting took place when the troops were on reconnaissance duty. The gang is believed to have suffered heavily.

TWO SHIPS SCUTTLED AS NAZI ARMADA FLEES

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cable has been received in London to the effect that six German ships left the Spanish port of Vigo under cover of darkness on Saturday night in an attempt to run the British blockade.

Three others left Brazilian ports in addition to the Wakama, making a total of ten.

The newspaper says that the German vessels, which had been sheltering in neutral ports since the beginning of the war, received orders to attempt to return home or to scuttle themselves if necessary.

The ships which left Vigo are the Wangoni, 7,848 tons; Wache, 4,709 tons; Orizaba, 4,354 tons; Arcus, 3,300 tons; Rostock, 2,542 tons; and the Morea, 1,927 tons.

The three German ships which left Brazilian ports recently are the Wolfsburg, 6,201 tons; La Coruna, 7,494 tons and the Koenigsberg, 6,400 tons.

Wakama Scuttled

The Admiralty has announced that the German ship Wakama was located by aircraft from His Majesty's ships in the South Atlantic yesterday. On being ordered to stop by aircraft the German crew set fire to the ship and scuttled her.

A British warship later picked up ten officers and 30 men.

It is reported in Rio de Janeiro that when the crew of the Wakama noticed the presence of H.M. cruiser Hawkins, they scuttled the ship off the coast of Brazil 13 hours after leaving Rio de Janeiro.

Meanwhile contradictory reports circulated here regarding the fate of the 43 members of the crew.

Some newspapers stated that they were saved by the Hawkins while others said they were drowned.

The Wakama was bound for Recife (Pernambuco) carrying a full cargo of 6,000 tons of grain, coffee, lard, leather, minerals and cotton.

She was the last German ship at Rio de Janeiro, to which port she had arrived a week before the outbreak of war.

Valuable Cargo

There is no explanation why the S.O.S. from the Wakama before she was scuttled was received in Rio de Janeiro yesterday afternoon and was relayed by the Spanish freighter Aranga Mendil, 5,335 tons.

The Spanish vessel said she was 40 miles from the position and was sending prompt assistance. She later wirelessed that she had arrived and found no trace of the Wakama.

The scuttled Wakama's cargo, it is reported, may be valued at £250,000.

U.S. Navy Budget Is Slashed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives has slashed \$111,000,000 from the Roosevelt Budget for the Navy and has recommended appropriations totalling \$968,000,000 and urged the United States to build battleships and cruisers "superior" to those abroad.

The reduction was the largest hitherto made by the Committee to any single budget recommendation.

The Committee, however, contended that the needs of the fleet could adequately be met by the smaller sum.

**KING RECEIVES
NEW MINISTER**

LONDON, Feb. 13 (British Wireless).—H.M. the King received Mr. G. M. Verker on his appointment as British Minister to Finland.

LEC CRUSHED

When two steam launches collided when tying up near the Sai Kung Wharf, Comaught Road West, yesterday, a seaman, Mui Hing-nam, 37, had one of his legs crushed. He was a member of the crew of the launch On Chau, and was rushed to the Queen Mary Hospital immediately.

FINN LINE HAMMERED

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Finnish professor, says that skilled German officers are now with the Soviet forces.

"We have reason to expect a German Expeditionary Force before long in South Finland. We must expect a stab in the back exactly as in the case of Poland," he said.

Great Violence

PARIS, Feb. 14. (Reuter).—A Soviet offensive on the Mannerheim Line developed with great violence early yesterday, according to information reaching official quarters from Helsinki.

It is added that the Finns are still standing firm.

Red Claim

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". MOSCOW, Feb. 14 (UP).—The Soviet Military Headquarters at Leningrad have issued the following communique: "As the result of successful actions Soviet troops have captured 23 of the enemy's defensive fortifications on the Karelian Isthmus."

"In some sectors intense aviation, infantry and artillery action continues."

"The Soviet action on the Isthmus is developing successfully. Large Finnish forces attempted counter attacks but were repulsed with heavy losses."

Polish Airman Fight For Finland

LONDON, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—The "Daily Herald" reports that nearly 400 Polish airmen are now in Finland and will soon be manning British planes against the Soviets.

Earlier Reports

By Ralph Forte

UNITED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 14 (UP).—The Russians have broken through. The Finns have evacuated certain advanced positions in the Summa sector.

The positions are described as machine-gun outposts in No Man's Land.

Evacuation was forced under pressure of continuous Russian attacks. The Finns immediately counter-attacked with great ferocity and claim to have regained several of the posts after the Russian charges broke against the actual Mannerheim Line fortifications.

INDUSTRIALISTS TO CO-OPERATE

PARIS, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—Contact between French and British industrialists is about to be effected so that the industries of the two countries may be complementary and not competitive in war time.

The first meeting, provisionally fixed for March 3 in London, is intended for a preliminary investigation of the possibilities of co-ordinating Franco-British production, firstly, during the war, and secondly, after it.

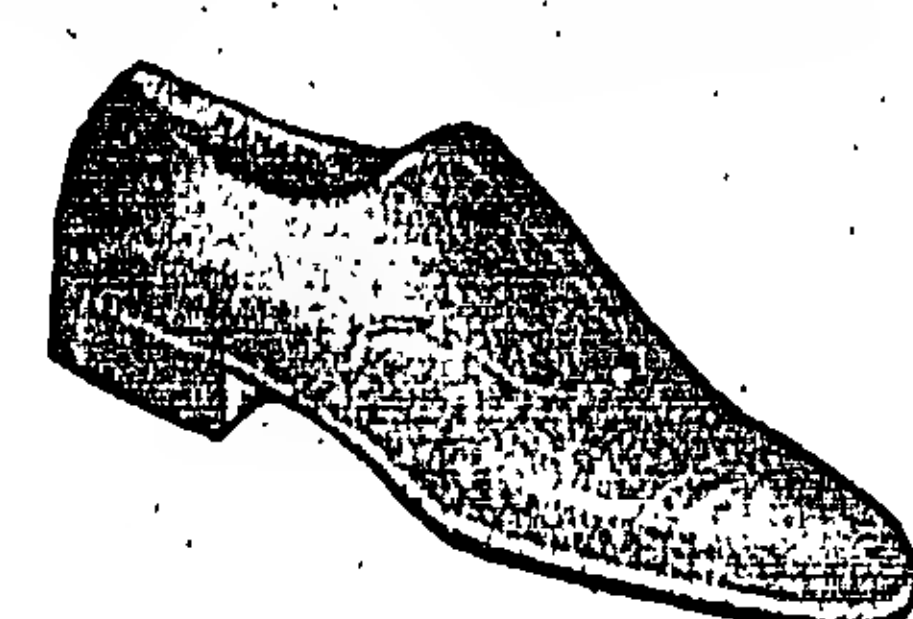
French industry will be represented by a delegation of Confederation employers.

Did Not Notify Authorities

Leslie Archibald Lewis, of 517 The Pent, was summoned before Mr. Sheldon at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning for failing to give notice in writing to the Registration of Persons' Office of his departure from the Colony on January 9.

A representative appeared on behalf of Mr. Lewis and stated that the defendant was in Chungking on business.

An adjournment of two weeks was made to enable Mr. Lewis to return to answer the summons.



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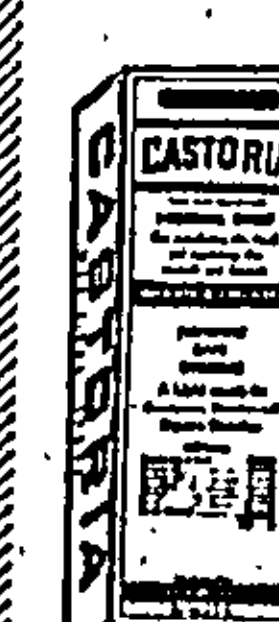
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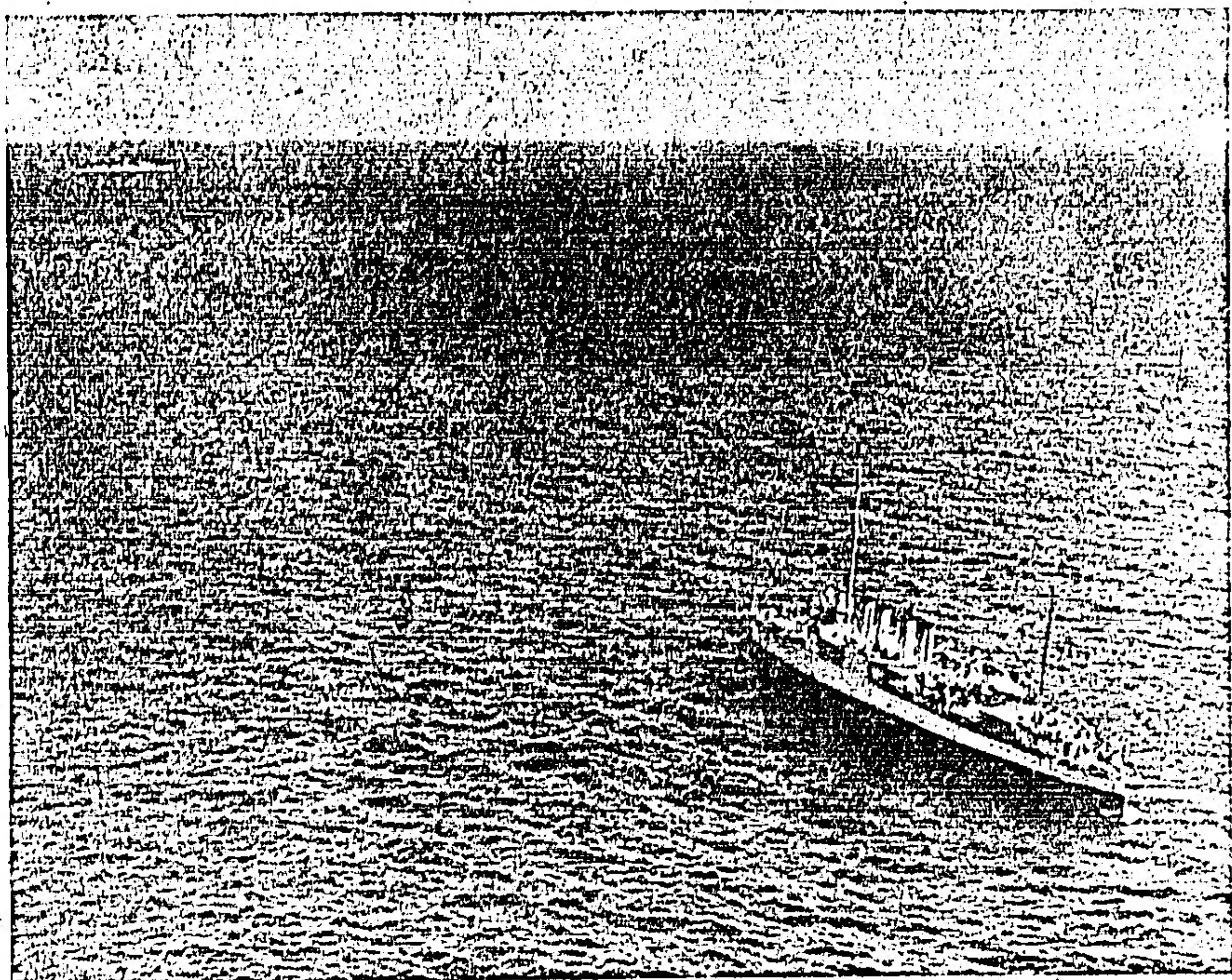
Girl's Burns During Hair-Dress Alleged

A 20-year-old girl was admitted at the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital on Monday, suffering from burns to the head alleged to have been caused when she was having a permanent wave. Her condition is reported to be satisfactory.

KING TO SIGN PROCLAMATION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Feb. 13 (UP).—It is reported that His Majesty King George VI is prepared to issue shortly a proclamation licensing the enlistment of British volunteers for Finland.

AMERICA'S THREE MILE LIMIT GUARDED



THIS AIR PHOTO SHOWS British and American Warships, one inside and the other just outside American territorial waters. In the foreground is the U.S.S. Phoenix, on neutrality patrol, while in the background is the British Warship which chased the Nazi freighter Arauca into a Floridian port.—Domel.

Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. Shanghai	335
T.T. Singapore	32 1/2
T.T. Japan	103 1/2
T.T. India	24 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	40
T.T. Manila	45 1/2
T.T. Batavia	140 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	108 1/2
T.T. Saigon	10 1/2
T.T. France	10 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	10 1/2
T.T. Australia	1 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3.5/32
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3.5/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/2
4 m/s France	11.40
30 d/s India	84
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.90 1/2

SHIPPING ROUTES

Americans Want To Work Idle Vessels

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, United States Ambassador to Britain, is going to London with a proposal to swap certain English and American shipping routes which would result in the putting to work of idle United States ships.

After a conference with Mr. Cordell Hull, the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Kennedy declared that he hoped to induce the British to turn over to the United States certain routes that are now operated solely by British ships which have already been removed from there in order to carry war materials by other routes.

Mr. Kennedy said that the possibilities for increased export from the United States of lumber to Britain were connected with the plan.

Mr. Kennedy is leaving aboard the Manhattan on February 24. He is going to Italy and France at first but hopes to be in London when Mr. Sumner Welles arrives there.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Feb. 13, 1890.
Immense crowds have attended the reception at the Palace in Madrid today being the day of rejoicing for the recovery of the little King Alfonso.

Russia has the largest standing army in the world, 735,218 men, with 133,170 horses and 1,234 guns; the standing army of Germany consists of 472,383 men, 84,001 horses, and 1,374 guns. Great Britain has the largest navy, with some 600 vessels of all classes; Italy has the most heavily armed vessels and the heaviest guns yet afloat, but it is possible that the biggest vessels and guns yet afloat may prove bountiful in ways so far, in peace, they have proved pretty deadly to their owners.

25 YEARS AGO

Feb. 13, 1915.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith announced that the British casualties up to February 4 amounted to 101,000 of all ranks.

Passengers on the s.s. Lusitania, which arrived at Liverpool this morning state that when off the coast of Ireland they received a wireless message from the Admiralty telling the commander to hoist the American flag. They accordingly sailed under it to Liverpool.

A "Foreign Office" statement declares that the British Government always recognized the use of a neutral flag by a merchant ship for the purpose of escaping capture as legitimate, and involving no breach of International Law; but that to destroy a ship carrying a non-combatant crew and cargo, as Germany has announced her intention of doing, is nothing less than an act of piracy.

10 YEARS AGO

Feb. 13, 1930.
A promise that there will be a great struggle for the Open Tennis Singles Championship of the Colony was indicated yesterday when three first-round ties were played each producing some extraordinarily keen and fighting contests.

Open Championship Singles

First Round
E. Zimmerman beat A. H. Crook, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4.
Ho Ka-lau beat F. Grose, 6-2, 7-5, 6-3.
T. Honda beat H. Lo, 10-8, 6-2, 6-4.
Y. Hachida beat H. Ching, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.

First Round

W. C. Hung and Cheng Chi-wing beat E. W. Liang and P. H. Kwok, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
T. Honda and Y. Akiyama w.o. Yew Man-Kit and F. H. Gross.
H. Wai-tai and L. Moon-tsoi w.o. H. V. Parker and A. Morse.

Handicap Doubles

First Round
J. D. Humphreys and R. H. Wild beat S. S. L. Parsons and C. P. F. James, 6-2, 6-4.

5 YEARS AGO

Rome, Feb. 13, 1935.
Italy is calling troops of three mechanized army divisions to the colours in view of the threat of war with Abyssinia, following fresh hostilities on the frontier of Italian Somaliland.

Newspapers give the greatest prominence to the speech of General Jan Smuts, delivered yesterday in Capetown, and particularly to the statement of the veteran soldier-statesman's view that the Japanese policy was a serious risk to the peace of the world.

Breach Is Now Healed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Iran resumed full diplomatic relations with the United States today when the Iranian Minister, Mohammed Schayesteh, presented his credentials to President Roosevelt.
Mr. Schayesteh was appointed Minister in December following a diplomatic breach lasting two years. Relations became strained when, following a car accident in which he was involved, the Iranian Minister to the United States was recalled.

Troops Fed From Air Posts Isolated In Recent "Freeze"

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—

How troops cut off during Britain's recent great freeze-up were fed from the air is now revealed.

In various parts of the country, the R.A.F. were asked to establish communication with, or drop supplies to, military units cut off by the snow. A request was made to one R.A.F. station to get food to five searchlight posts, which had become isolated. The need was so urgent that it was decided not to drop supplies in the ordinary way from bombers.

The aircraft found the first searchlight post and one of the crew kicked the supply container overboard when another gave the signal. Although flying was difficult, all five posts were contacted. It is estimated that no supply container fell over 200 yards from the target. Some fell considerably nearer.

BRITAIN BUYS FROM TURKEY

ISTANBUL, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—British representatives of the Ministry of Supply who are now at Ankara have concluded a contract to purchase nearly 600 tons of dried raisins and figs.

Other British delegates have contracted to purchase nearly £1,000,000 of tobacco annually.

Talks Concluded

BRUSSELS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Negotiations which have been proceeding for several weeks in London and Paris for new trade agreements between Belgium, Britain and France have now been successfully concluded.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN DEAL OFF?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Domel).—

Sir Andrew Duncan, the President of the Board of Trade, replying to a query in the House of Commons today, announced that the Anglo-Soviet trade accord concluded in October last year has not yet come into force.

The agreement provides for a barter of Soviet timber for British rubber and tin for the duration of war. It was formally signed in London on October 11, 1939.

It was believed for a while that the agreement would be developed into a comprehensive trade pact and wield considerable political influence in connection with the German-Soviet rapprochement.

The announcement by the President of the Board of Trade is understood to indicate a difficult situation arising between Britain and the Soviet Union from the Soviet-Finnish dispute.

GRIN & BEAR IT By Lichty



"Some facial cream and some cleansing cream for knobs!"

WESTERN FRONT

German Raid Repulsed

PARIS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day states that east of the Moselle an enemy raid, preceded by trench mortar and artillery preparation, has failed completely.

There was infantry fire on the Rhine and also aviation activity.

Bitter Cold In Battle Zone

PARIS, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Despite the new cold wave which has descended on the Western Front, British planes made a long reconnoitring flight over north-west Germany and returned safely although attacked by German fighters, it is stated here.

On the front itself the thermometer has fallen to slight degrees above zero. Fahrenheit, and all activities are at a standstill except patrolling and reconnaissance flights.

The French Air Force also made a similar flight and a number of sorties were made by their fighter machines. One German plane toured over northern France.

German Communiqué

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Feb. 13 (UP).—The D.N.B. (Official German News Agency) reports from the Western Front: "No change took place on the Western Front to-day. Artillery action on both sides was slight."

"At Grosswald a hostile fortification was destroyed by hand grenades. At some points along the Rhine, for instance at Greffen, there was machine-gun fire."

"Patrol activities continued in the usual manner."

Rescue After 28 Hours

Survivors Of Trawler Crew Suffer Severely

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—

After 28 hours in an open boat, eleven members of the crew of the British trawler, Togimo, all suffering from exposure and three seriously wounded, were landed at a port in south-east Elze to-day.

The trawler was sunk by a U-boat which shelled them and killed one of the crew.

Before the Spanish steamer, Montenegro, rescued them they had to exist upon a ration of one biscuit and a few spoonfuls of water.

Captain James Gale, who won the D.S.O. in the last war, stated that he was on watch on Sunday morning when a shot from a U-boat 500 yards away startled him. The trawler extinguished all lights and attempted to dash to safety, but the next shot hit the charthouse close to where the Captain was standing and set it afire.

20 Shots Fired

Twenty more shots were fired, putting the engines and dynamo out of action and damaging the steering gear. As the trawler began to sink, orders were given to man boat.

An Irishman, Price, was coming up the last was stated that he was on watch on Sunday morning when a shot from a U-boat 500 yards away startled him. The trawler extinguished all lights and attempted to dash to safety, but the next shot hit the charthouse close to where the Captain was standing and set it afire.

Another of the crew, badly wounded, was carried to the lifeboat by his comrades.

Another shot then carried away the wheelhouse.

There was hardly room to move in the lifeboat and to bail constantly. All were exhausted from exposure and hunger when they were picked up by the Montenegro.

The Director of Air Raid Precautions announces that the Naval Authorities will be testing the air raid warning system situated on Stonecutters Island to-morrow commencing at 2.30 p.m.

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1.45 Musical Comedy Selections.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Mozart—"Mozart Flute" Act.

7.05 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.07 Concert by Vladimir Horowitz and Pablo Casals.—Gayotte Tendre.

7.30 London.—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—"Some Great Authors"—2. Swift.—The second of a series of Talks by Father Ryan, S.J.

8.30 Dennis Noble—Baritone.—The Trumpeter, Nirvana, with Piano Accompaniment by Gerald Moore.

8.40 Barnabas Von Geeszy and His Orchestra.

9.05 Negro Spirituals.—Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen.—Louis Armstrong with the Lay Murray Quartet; (a) I Stood on the Ribber; (b) Peter, Go Ring dem Bells, Paul Robeson with Piano Accompaniment by Lawrence Brown; Go Down, Moses, Paul Robeson accompaniment by Lawrence Brown.

9.15 London.—News Summary.

9.30 Billy Russell—"On Behalf of the Working Classes."

9.45 The B. B. C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall.

10.10 B. B. C. Recording—"Playing the Game"—A Farical Extravaganza by L. G. Garde Peach. Music by George Baker. Produced by Charles Brewer.

11.00 Close Down.

Victory Confirmed

CHUNGKING, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that Chinese forces have recaptured the important town of Pingyang, north-east of Nanning in South Kwangsi.

The Chinese on February 11 launched a strong attack on the Japanese forces holding the town. After an all-day battle, the Chinese forces occupied the town, inflicting 5,000 casualties on the Japanese.

The Chinese state that after three days of irresistible Chinese encircling and outflanking movements, the Japanese forces in the Pingyang area are beginning a general withdrawal towards Nanning.

KING SENDS HIS GOOD WISHES

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King has sent to the Emperor of Japan a telegram of good wishes for his health and welfare and prosperity of the Imperial House on the occasion of the 2,000th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire.

American Planes For Sweden

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—It is authoritatively reported that the Swedish Purchasing Mission has contracted for 144 Vultee planes which are reported to be capable of a speed exceeding 400 m.p.h. The cost is approximately \$10,000,000.

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ENTERTAINMENT PAGE

"Gone With The Wind"

RECENTLY the cinema event for which America has waited for three years took place in Atlantic, Ga.—the premiere of the Technicolour film "Gone With the Wind."

Governor Eurith D. Rivers proclaimed a Statewide holiday and 300,000 film fans lined up for seven miles to watch the procession of motor-cars which brought Vivien Leigh, Clark Gable, his wife Carole Lombard, Producer David O. Selznick, Laurence Olivier and others from the air port.

The night before the premiere of the film a costume ball was held. At the premiere, hundreds of delighted Georgians clapped, cheered, whistled and wept at the historical sequences.

New York Debut
The film was also shown at New York's Astor and Capitol Theatres and was hailed unanimously by all as an excellent film. Olivia de Havilland, James Stewart, Will Hays, David Selznick, Mr. and Mrs. John Jacob Astor, the Vanderbilt clan, Doris Duke Cromwell and nearly every millionaire and his wife in New York were present at the screening.

It took three years to make this film from a novel which Margaret Mitchell took seven years to write.

Producer Selznick's first trouble was to reduce the 1,037-page novel to a workable Hollywood script.

Sidney Howard, one of the ablest script writers, arrived in Hollywood in the spring of 1937. Throughout that summer together with Selznick and George Cukor, he worked on the first script. When finished it was found to be too long so they made another script. In 1938, many famous writers were all working on the script.

Search for Star
Production finally started but results came slowly. For two years Selznick had nobody to play the part of Scarlett O'Hara so polls were taken and scouts despatched throughout America. During the filming of one of the first scenes—that of the burning of Atlanta—Myron Selznick took Vivien Leigh with him on the set and invited his brother "to meet Scarlett O'Hara."

When the news came out that she had been given the part, a few protests were heard. On the whole, however, the Southerners were pleased to hear that an English girl and not a Yankee had been chosen for the part.

American cinema fans unanimously voted that Clark Gable must play Rhett Butler.

Selznick also agreed with them that he should cast Olivia de Havilland as Melanie Hamilton, Leslie Howard as Ashley Wilkes and Laura Hope Crews as Aunt Pittypat.

Then Selznick cast Thomas Mitchell as Gerald O'Hara and Hattie McDaniel as Mammy.

Four Hour Show
In January 1939, the filming of "Gone with the Wind" commenced in earnest and six months later the final scenes were taken. The cutting of the film then began. Over 225,000 feet of film had to be cut and spliced into a moving picture short enough to exhibit. After working day and night, Selznick and his staff finally produced the finished film which runs for just under four hours.

The picture has to make about \$5,000,000 before it begins to earn any profits at all. Dow Jones receipts of this film might bring shareholders in Loew's Incorporated upwards of \$1 per share.



ELISABETH Bergner (above) who has not made a film for a year or so, is preparing to get back to the studio. She has chosen a light comedy, called "Ring on Her Finger," which has a very charming story. More than that cannot be said at present since she is ill with throat trouble at her home in Surrey. Her husband, Dr. Paul Granger, who will direct the film as usual, is ill with laryngitis too.



VIVIEN Leigh, who appears as Scarlett O'Hara in "Gone With the Wind," shown as she arrived for the Atlanta premiere of the film. She was introduced to audiences over a nation-wide hook-up by Mayor Hartsfield of Atlanta.

AT THE CINEMAS

Queen's and Alhambra:
"Wizard of Oz" (Judy Garland, Jack Haley, Bert Lahr)
Oriental: "Adventures of Robin Hood" (Errol Flynn, Olivia de Havilland)
Majestic: "Society Lawyer" (Walter Pidgeon, Virginia Bruce)
King's: "Young Mr. Lincoln" (Henry Fonda)

Best Films Of 1939

ACCORDING to the "Sunday Times" here are the ten best films of 1939:

"Stagecoach" (American): Director, John Ford. Leading players, Claire Trevor, John Wayne.

"La Femme Du Boulanger" (French): Director, Marcel Pagnol. Leading players, Raimu, Genette Leclerc.

"Professor Mamlock" (Russian): Directors, Adolf Minin and Boris Rastvorov. Leading player S. Mikhlin.

"Hostages" (French): Director, Raymond Bernard. Leading players, Saturnin Fabre, Charpin, Larquey.

"Le Voyageur" (French): Director, Jacques Feyder. Leading players, Françoise Rosay, Pierre Fresnay.

"Wuthering Heights" (American): Director, William Wyler. Leading players, Laurence Olivier, Merle Oberon.

"Only Angels Have Wings" (American): Director, Howard Hawks. Leading players, Jean Arthur, Cary Grant.

"On the Night of the Fire" (British): Directors, Brian Desmond Hurst. Leading players, Ralph Richardson, Diana Wynyard.

"The Circus" (American): Director, Edward Buzzell. Leading players, the Marx Brothers.

"La Bete Humaine" (French): Director, Jean Renoir. Leading players, Jean Gabin, Simone Simon.

"The Grand Illusion" (French): Director, Jean Pierre Melville. Leading players, Jean Gabin, Robert Hardy.

"Annie Lorraine" (American): Director, Anthony Asquith. Leading players, "French Without Tears," Frank Capra's "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington," Marcel Carne's "Quai des Brumes" and "Hotel du Nord" and the first half of Leo McCarey's "Love Affair."

Chaplin Film
On the other hand, most think that 1939 was a lean film year—especially in regard to farce films. There is still nothing from Chaplin, though at last "The Dictator" in production; no successors to Harold Lloyd or Laurel and Hardy except Laurel and Hardy; and two failures from Fernandel, which have just about wiped out the credit he laid up with "Virtuous Sin."

By way of comparison we had that witty British trifle "A Girl Must Live" with dialogue by Frank Launder in the best Hollywood manner and a patchily brilliant production from the Marx Brothers—our own Correspondent.

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Film Of Prehistoric Tribes

WORD comes from Hollywood that David W. Griffith and Hal Roach are producing a picture in which they are looking backward, past the birth of the cinema at which they officiated, to 1,000,000 years B.C.

Both are reported to have admitted that "it is a screwy idea," but, nevertheless, it sounds a good one.

Dawn Age

They are collaborating on a screen version of the dawn age, titled "1,000,000 B.C." This effort of theirs is, in effect, a silent picture. It opens in the present era, on a conversation between a scientist and some young people and fades back a million years, with the scientist's voice continuing as a commentary. Each sequence thereafter begins with a cloud "shot," according to Mr. Griffith's plan, and then the camera comes down to the action.

The story deals with two prehistoric tribes—the Rock people, a rugged race, and the Shell tribe, a gentler and more kindly group. The civilizing of the former by the latter by means of the charm of Carole Landis, the leading lady, who softens the savage heart of Victor Mature, the leading man, forms the theme of the picture.

No English is spoken by the prehistoric characters, which will mean, as Roach points out, that the foreign market can be completely exploited by United Artists, the distributing company, simply by changing the commentary. The incomprehensible language which the ancients use presented something of a problem.

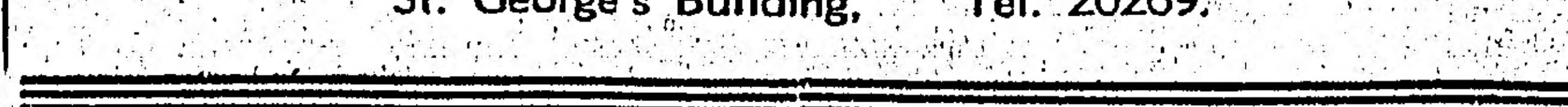
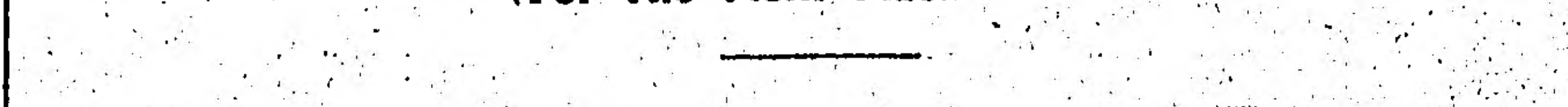
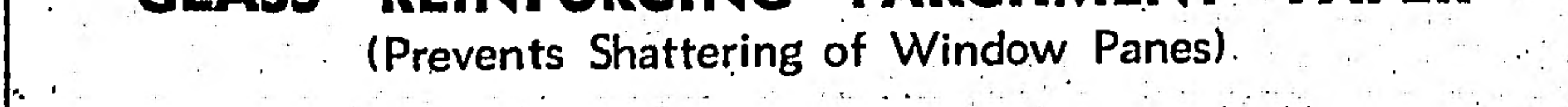
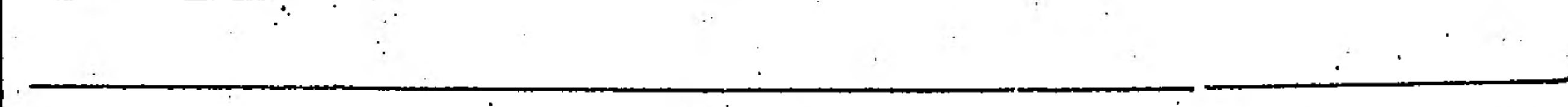
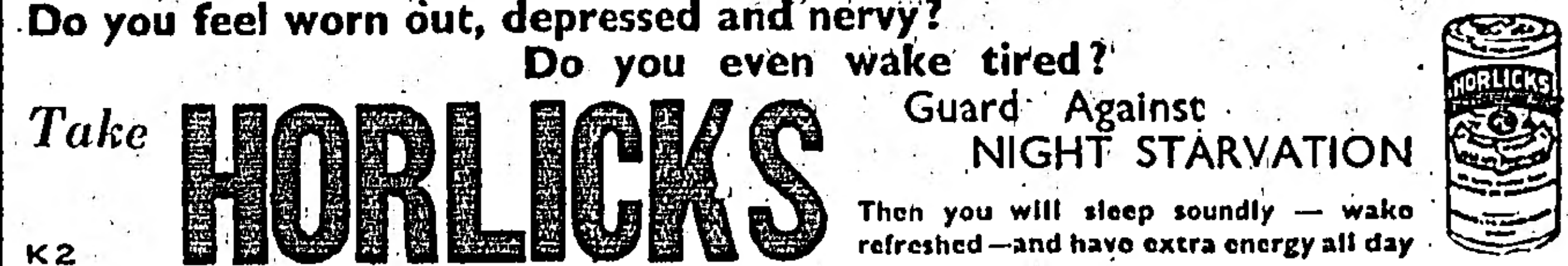
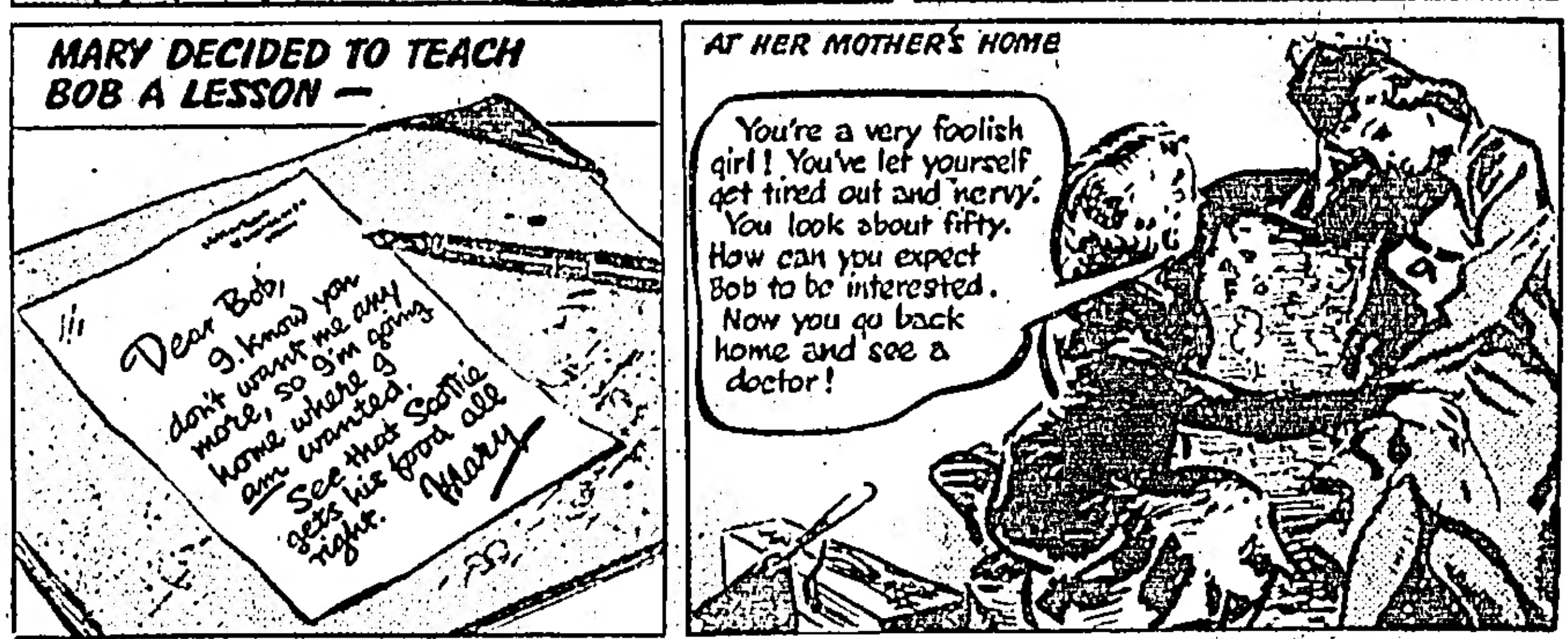
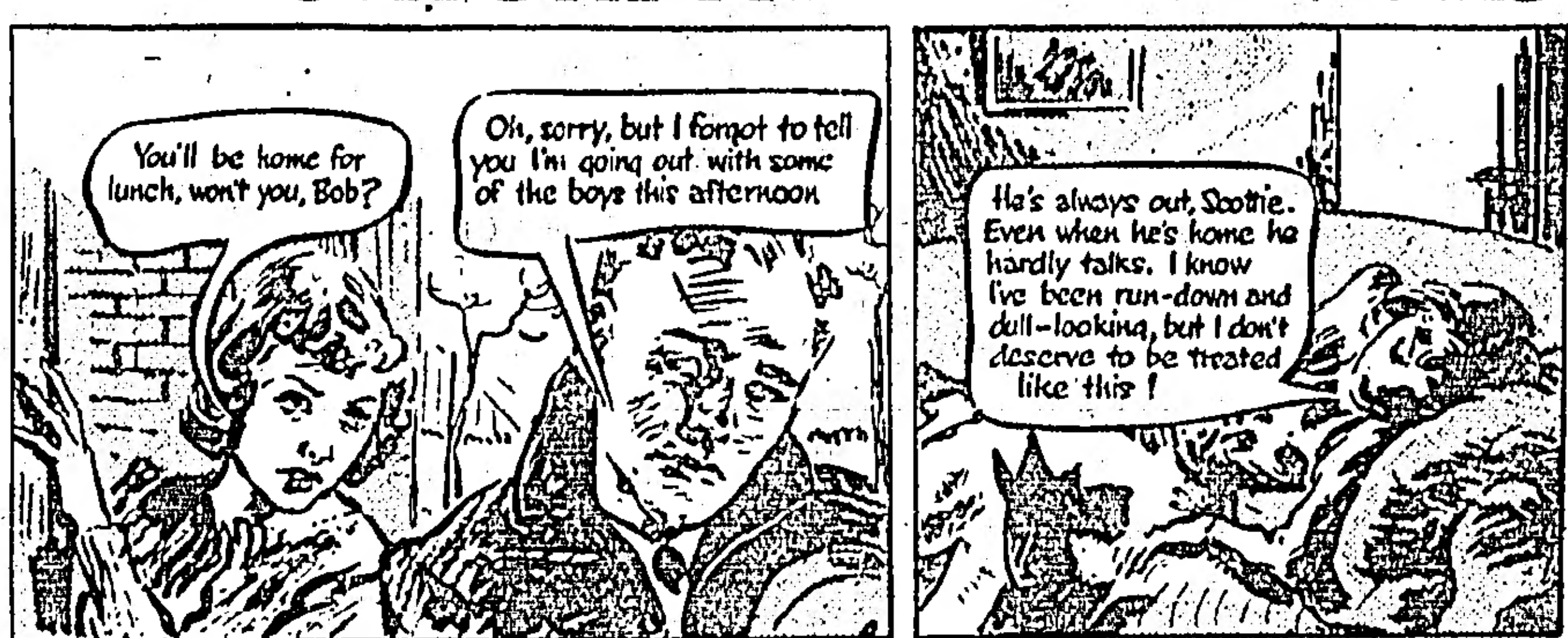
Dialogue Trouble

Miss Florence McNany of the studio research department was assigned to prepare prehistoric dialogue. She obtained glossaries of four extinct American Indian tongues—the Ojibwa, the Biloxi, the Natick and the Bontock-Igorot. From these she compiled two languages, one for each tribe. But (and a shocking commentary it is on the propensities of the "civilized ear") when spoken, these unadorned primitive polyglots suggested such double entendres that they had to be scrapped. The dialogue is now more McNany than anything else.

At its inception, "1,000,000 B.C." was meant to adhere to recognized scientific theory, but when Roach and Griffith realized that their players would have to appear as nature, with only a matting of body hair to screen them from the Hays office, they decided to endow their characters with a knowledge of the art of hide-lamming. Having gone so far, they remembered that "after all, the screen is meant for entertainment," and now their scenario contains specimens of the fauna of almost every geologic age.

This picture, which is under contract with the King's Theatre, will be shown here as early as possible.

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THE LION HAS WINGS

By Ian Dalrymple

THE pilot of the leading plane sat at his controls. There would be no excitement for a long while yet, but he was strung up and his eyes were fixed grimly ahead.

In the forward turret sat the bow gunner, and, in the tail, another gunner sat, a solitary sentinel protecting the plane from attack in the rear.

As the plane zoomed onward, the navigator sat busily plotting the course while the wireless operator, ears alert, kept vigil.

"Try and get Mr. Middleton," chafed the gunner, and "Sparks" grinned. He was seeking less friendly sounds than that!

"Nothing from our side, of course," sir. Wireless silence was ordered. There's a spot of activity from German station AZZ, but it's all in code.

"H'm... we'll be there in an hour at our present speed," remarked the pilot. "Gunner, back in the tail in half an hour! Meanwhile, you can let up!"

Below the sea lay calm and still; nothing broke the monotony of its surface. Steadily the plane followed its course. Suddenly a ship was seen below.

"Destroyer ahead, sir," reported the bomb-aimer.

"Ours or theirs?" snapped back the pilot.

THROUGH the window the pilot and the observer gazed down at the destroyer. Sailors were crowding round the signal light.

"They're sending a message," said the pilot. "Get it." Swiftly the bomb-aimer's pencil moved across his pad. As he wrote, he smiled.

"There you are, sir," he said, and showed the pilot the pad. On it were the words "Good luck!"

It was getting near zero hour. Intently the pilot handled his controls, with the navigator close at his elbow.

Action was near and there was an air of tense expectancy in the plane. The bomb-aimer moved into position and the wireless operator went forward. There was no need for wireless now... his job was at a gun-turret.

"Alter course to 110 degrees," called the navigator.

"Okay!" called back the pilot. "I'm going down to a hundred feet for the run into the coast!"

Down the plane swooped, like some giant hawk sighting its prey. Below lay the coastline,

coming closer and closer as the speed of the plane increased.

The pilot looked below. There was a sparkle in his eye, a look of anticipation that boded ill for the Nazis!

"Hullo, bit of excitement down there," and he jerked his head downwards. The R.A.F. Armada flashed onwards.

"Yes," replied the navigating officer, "Ship's crew's bathing!" The pilot's lips creased in a smile. "They can't have expected us!"

Suddenly, in a voice vibrant with excitement, the pilot yelled: "There she is!"

FAR below lay the Kiel Canal, the object of their trip. It lay, a tempting target with ships resting, unsuspecting the hell that was about to be let loose.

"Signal—line astern" came a voice.

From the plane the Very pistol spoke and the light from the pistol flashed through the air.

"Right, here we go," called the pilot. His hand flicked down the switches, while the bomb-aimer waited, taut and alert. Down scudded the plane.

"Right," snapped the bomb-aimer. "Steady."

Again the plane dipped, roaring through the sky. The bomb-aimer's hand hovered over a switch.

And down from the plane, straight as a die, a grim ambassador of death, fell the first bomb.

It hit the sea with thunderous force, exploding near the battleship and swirling the ocean into an angry crescendo of fury.

The dull roar of the explosion resounded through the plane as it swooped upwards on its non-stop flight. Another bomb, fell, still closer this time, and again a giant swirl of water was flung up like a ferocious fountain.

Across the decks of the battleship rushed frantic sailors as death rained so suddenly from the skies. Another bomb left the hatch.

Down with unerring accuracy, it hit the battleship and a sudden roar told that the bomb had found its mark.

"We've hit him," snapped the pilot suddenly, and the bomb-aimer gave the "Thumbs Up" signal. Below, the grey ocean tossed amid the smoke and debris around the ship.

Suddenly there came the swift venomous snarl of machine-gun fire, cracking across the sky.

"Hey, step on it," rapped out the navigating officer, "you've got a Messerschmitt on your tail!"

Cutting through the sky came a Nazi plane, hurtling towards the British invader, prepared for a death duel, eager to take toll of the plane that had smashed the Nazi battleship.

An answering hail of machine-gun fire burst from the back of the British plane.

The sky was alight with the flash of machine-gun fire. The pilot and navigating officer were straining every fibre of their bodies, every nerve to outwit the enemy.

And still from the Messerschmitt came this stream of death, while the British plane gave back fierce, grim answer. . . . And through



the skies the planes returned in quiet triumph.

DOWN on to the landing field the planes came, one by one to bump with slowing propellers over the rough turf and finally to come to rest.

One by one hatches in their stomachs opened and legs appeared, then ungainly figures in zip-fastener suits with all the bulk and paraphernalia of parachutes and wireless cords.

A moment of inert relaxation and then the exhausted stripping off of unwieldiness.

A stroke of the hair. A silent whistle of relief. A smile. A cigarette. A rather ashamed handshake.

A tired flip of the finger to a friend. A sudden violent embarrassment, at the discovery of cameramen, photographers, all set for hero-worship, and a quick bolt for the privacy of the mess.

That is how the real heroes of the Kiel Raid came home.

AS though he had all the time in the world to spare, a shabby individual strolled along a dock-side and paused at a sailor's elbow.

"Har ni en tanstikk!" he muttered. "What's that?" growled the sailor.

"A match," urged the shabby stranger. He leaned close to the sailor, and, cupping his hand to guard the flickering flame, he muttered: "Activity at Pirate Squadron AZZ."

The sailor nodded briefly, and the stranger shuffled into the night.

Throwing his cigarette stub away, the sailor boarded his ship and made his way to the wireless operator's cabin. "Activity at Pirate Squadron AZZ. Code Group X74479." The operator nodded, scribbled on his pad and got to work.

Britain's under-cover men had made the first move in thwarting a threatened Nazi raid.

Meanwhile, unconscious that their plans were already suspected, a score of Nazi pilots stood, erect and grim, as their commanding officer harangued them in swift, harsh tones.

That night was to see an attack on the accursed shores of Britain, yet no enthusiasm for the adven-

Suddenly the air became electric. The Air Officer Commander-in-Chief urgently summoned the Southern Group. "Raids 1 and 2 are entering your area. Carry on and deal with them."

"Yes, sir," replied the Group Controller. He turned to another phone. "Braxted?"

Wing Commander Ralph Richardson replied. He listened intently. "O.K." Then gave his orders. "A Flight 299." It was zero hour.

WITH the enthusiasm of small boys let out of school earlier than they expected, the pilots waiting near their Spitfires leapt into action.

Propellers started to turn. Bobby fastened his parachute to his back, adjusted his goggles, and half-grinned at the other pilots who were to share the danger ahead.

Then he hopped nimbly into the cockpit of his plane, waved cheerily to the boys of the ground staff, and scudded off into the darkness.

"Flight A air-borne," reported the telephone operator to Richardson. "O.K.," replied Ralph. "Put B. Flight at readiness."

High in the heavens the Spitfires were flashing towards a death duel. "Cornflower Red calling station control," snapped Bobby into his radio.

"Cornflower Red 80 degrees—2,000 feet a minute—speed 180.," replied Richardson.

Again Bobby spoke into his microphone, this time to the pilot in the plane next to him. "O.K. Ted?"

"Right with you, Bob!" replied Ted, chewing more fiercely at his gum.

"O.K. Dopey?" called Bob. The pilot in the third Spitfire sat gazing into space, his face devoid of all emotion. Those that didn't know Dopey for a sky dare-devil with a nerve of iron might have thought that he was falling asleep at his controls. "Hey, Dopey are you O.K.?"

Dopey jerked to sudden realisation. "What? Good. Lord, yes. O.K. . . . all serene!"

Bobby grinned. He knew his Dopey.

"O.K. Gang—let's go!" yelled Bobby with a whoop of pure excitement.

Nearer came the Nazi bombers. Down below in Fighter Command every movement of the enemy was being noted on the giant action map. At the Fighter Station Richardson steadily stuck at his radio navigating the air-knights above.

"Five bandits six miles south-west," he rapped out to Bobby way up in the skies. The Spitfires circled, never losing speed. "Should be any minute now," muttered Richardson.

Suddenly Bobby's jaw tightened. "Here they are, boys. No. 1 Attack. . . . Go!"

TO-MORROW THE BATTLE

Police Drive On Vandals

Several Thieves Appear In Magistracies

More wood-thieves were charged with possession before Mr. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Ten people, of whom eight were women, were accused of the possession of 312 catties of wood, between them, they were arrested in the morning.

Tyrum Tuk Reservoir area yesterday. Inspector A. V. Baker said the case was not a very serious one, but much damage had been done by tree-cutters in this particular area. More-

over, the majority of the defendants in this case had money in their possession, and there was no question of their being without means.

All defendants were fined \$10 or three weeks' hard labour.

Five other people were charged with possession. Two were sentenced to a month's hard labour, two were ordered to be expelled from the Colony as undesirable, and the other was ordered to be sent to the country on his undertaking, not to return to Hongkong.

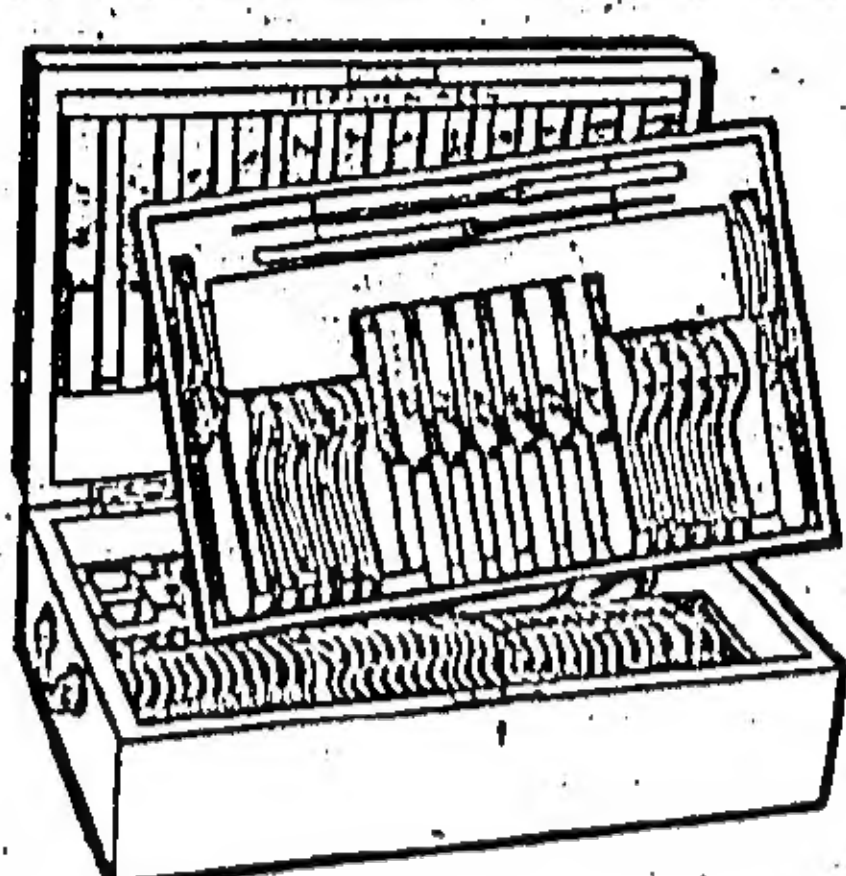
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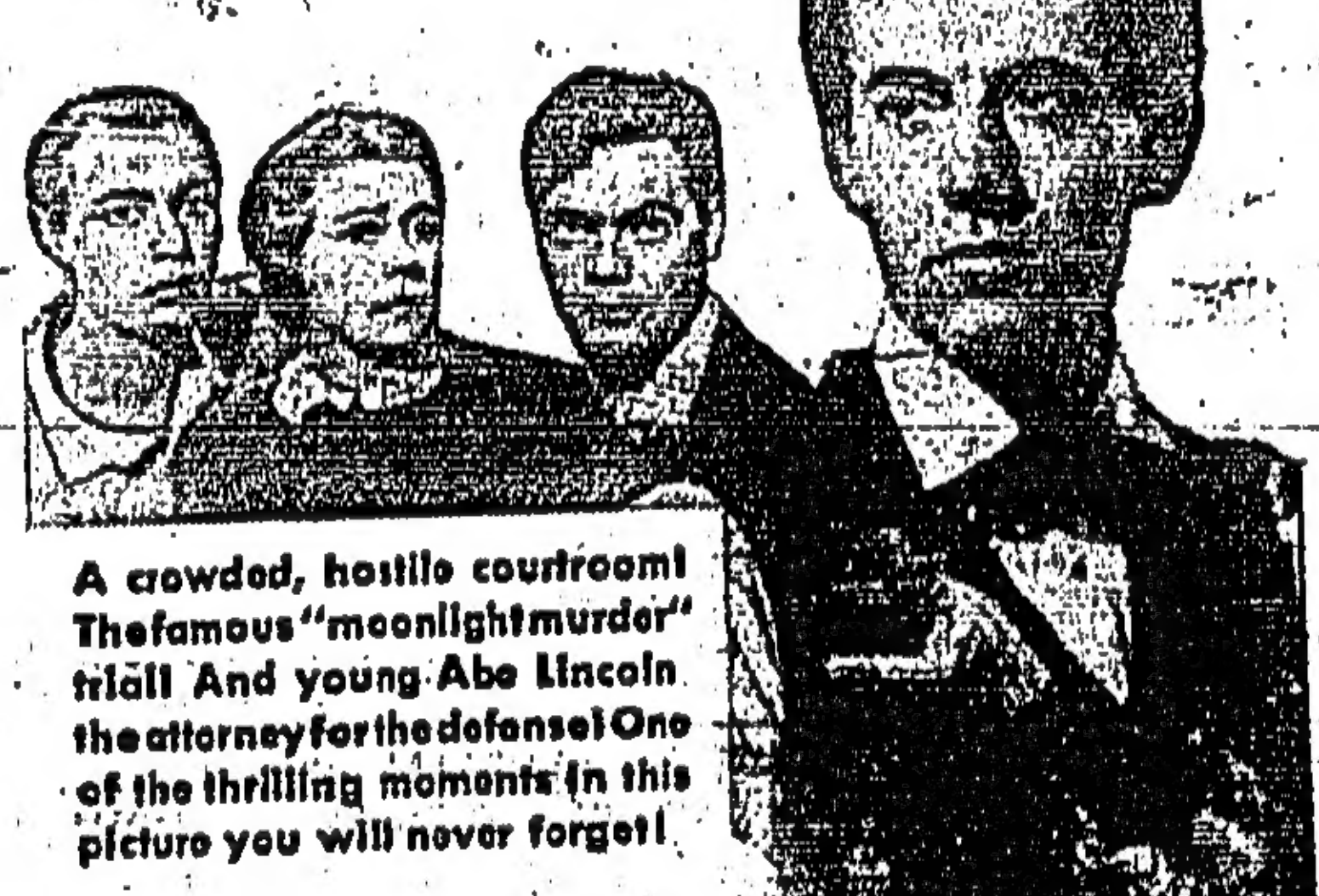
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BUENOS AIRES—Captain Hans Langsdorff laid to rest—Commander of the Graf Spee, who took own life, is buried in Argentine.

WASHINGTON—President Roosevelt delivers his message at opening of Congress.

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U.S. State Department And War In East

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, has expressed the State Department's disapproval of the resolution to invoke the Neutrality Act in the undeclared war between Japan and China, according to Senator Key Pittman.

Pittman told press representatives to-day that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee would probably consider Mr. Cordell Hull's opinion as also reflecting the State Department's views on the undeclared Russo-Finnish war.

Senator Pittman declined to make public the contents of a letter in which Mr. Cordell Hull outlined his views, but said that Mr. Cordell Hull apparently felt that the peace and security of the United States was not directly involved in either conflict.

Cry For Embargo
WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—The cry for a moral embargo against Japan is raised by Senator Norris.

It is generally thought, however, that in the most vital aspect, namely oil, this is inapplicable. Exports of war material must obtain State Department licences and then moral pressure can be applied, but oil companies do not require licences.

Hence it is difficult to apply pressure there. Moreover, it is reported that there is not the same unanimity between oil companies as regards sales to Japan as exists among aircraft manufacturers.

Present indications are that the Senate will proceed cautiously in dealing with proposals for an official Government embargo against Japan.

More Seamen Wanted By Admiralty

LONDON, Feb. 13 (British Wireless).—Since war began 10,000 experienced seamen have joined the Royal Navy Patrol Service, and recruiting is proceeding at a rate of 300 a week. It is now stated that the Admiralty will require a further 10,000 to man the growing fleet of small craft of all types engaged in mine-laying, mine sweeping, anti-submarine service and all kinds of patrol work.

HITLER AND BISMARCK

Goebbels Makes A Comparison

BERLIN, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—"The world will have to understand that the present war is a fundamental conflict between the German social state and British plutocracy," declared Dr. Goebbels in a speech to Nazi propaganda lecturers.

"What Frederick the Great began and Bismarck continued now matures of fulfillment."

"National Socialism had to choose between capitulation before Britain and thus abandoning a historic mission, or facing up to London's attack."

Earlier in the speech, Goebbels declared that it was impossible to differentiate between public opinion and the views officially expressed.

A Government could not give assurances of neutrality and at the same time permit any journalistic excesses against the German people and leaders.

CONTROL BOARD IN RUMANIA

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—According to the Rumanian Legation in London, a control board to cover production, home consumption and exports of all kinds will shortly be set up by the Rumanian Government.

Institution of the board will form part of the general scheme to control all Rumania's natural resources with a view to conserving supplies necessary to the country.

Control boards will be set up later to deal with foodstuffs, timber and other materials.

MORE ANTIMONY FROM CANADA

LONDON, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—Since the outbreak of war, the production of antimony in Canada has been speeded up and it is estimated that between 50 and 75 tons are now arriving in the United Kingdom every month.

According to market circles, the antimony is of good quality averaging up to 99.8 per cent. for which the current quotation is £95 c.i.f. in the United Kingdom.

DEBATE OF 29 HOURS

Record Sitting Of South African Assembly

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 13 (Reuter).—After challenging the Government's war measure in a House of Assembly debate lasting 29 hours, the Opposition led by General Hertzog and Dr. Malan unsuccessfully moved for an adjournment this afternoon.

The motion was defeated by 78 to 46 votes, and the debate on the second reading of the Emergency Powers Bill, therefore, is continuing.

Chief Was Exhausted
The Opposition Whip, asking General Smuts to accept the adjournment motion, stated that the House was unable to carry on: the official reporters were exhausted, there were no supplies in the pantries and the chief, who had been on duty 30 hours, was nearing exhaustion.

The Whip added that there were still 22 members of the Opposition wishing to speak. Unless there was an adjournment, the debate would continue until 4 a.m. to-morrow at the earliest.

General Smuts declined to accept the motion.

The Assembly finally passed the second reading of the War Measures Bill by 79 to 59 votes after a record sitting of 28 hrs. 47 minutes.

BLACKOUT FOR ARCHANGEL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, Feb. 13 (UP).—It is announced here that a decree has been enacted providing for the complete blackout of Archangel and its environs beginning at 4 p.m. daily. Violations of this order will be punished by a fine of 100 rubles or imprisonment for terms of a month upwards.

LATE NEWS

Japan And U.S.

TOKYO, Feb. 14 (Domel).—Mr. H. Arima, the Foreign Minister, disclosed pending questions between Japan and the United States in Diet to-day. Most of the questions have arisen in China and Japan hopes to settle them "on the spot."

The United States, however, is not fully satisfied and wants to conduct negotiations in Tokyo.

Over 200 cases are outstanding. Of these 149 are connected with aerial bombings.

Seventy-three cases arise from occupation, use or destruction of American property.

Other cases are concerned with the Salt Administration, the customs, foreign exchange control, railway control, re-opening of the Yangtze and travel in the interior.

Positions Regained

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—Referring to the Russian claims to have occupied 32 defensive fortifications on Summa front, Finnish authorities state that during violent fighting the Russians temporarily obtained possession of certain fortified positions which were subsequently retaken by the Finns.

There is no question of the Russian troops penetrating into the Mannerheim Line.

Battle Over Red Dead

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—An observer who has just returned from the Summa front confirms the Finnish claims that the Russians have made no inroads in this sector. At some points the fighting is raging over piled high bodies of Russian dead lying half-covered in the newly-fallen snow.

It is stated that if the present Russian offensive fails they will have no chance of resuming the drive against the Mannerheim Line before early summer. February snowstorms will soon end all movements and thawing ice and snow in the spring will make any advance practically impossible.

Defenceless Town Bombed By Reds

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—Thirty warplanes yesterday bombed Forga, a town of 6,000 inhabitants on the coast 30 miles east of Helsingfors. Some twenty fires were started by incendiary bombs. The number of casualties is unknown.

Borga contains no military objectives and shelters a number of refugees.

Large numbers of Red planes were reported over other parts of the coast yesterday.

Kennedy Declines

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—Mr. Joseph Kennedy has declined to be nominated as a candidate for the Presidency.

Report Denied

BERLIN, Feb. 14 (Reuter).—D.N. B. issues official denial of Amsterdam report that German soldiers fired on an armoured train.

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